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Arena Stage: 'The Best'

An article by Tom Shales, ("Negotiating National's Future," Aug. 14) quotes Roger Stevens as saying, "There wasn't any theater in Washington until the Kennedy Center came along."

It seems incredible that such myopia could result even from Mr. Stevens' single-minded promotion of the Kennedy Center. Arena Stage was the country's leading regional theater before the Kennedy Center came along; and for consistent quality and imagination it still far outstrips the Kennedy Center.

Although the myth that the Kennedy Center brought Washington out of a cultural wasteland may enhance the reputations of the Center's patrons and promoters, there is enough credit to go around without such self-serving remarks as Mr. Stevens', which are both untrue and a disservice to the other theaters that made Washington one of the country's leading drama centers well before the Kennedy Center became an attraction for the moths of fashion and the cultural myth-makers.

Without any help from Mr. Stevens, whose excessively featherbedded stage-hand contracts have priced the Kennedy Center beyond the reach of all but the big producers, Arena Stage still offers the best theater in the country.

RONALD P. WERTHEIM.

Washington.

Post 8/20/74

Bush's Qualifications

I was a most interested reader of The Post editorial on Aug. 15, concerning the qualifications of George Bush to be Vice President. Among other things, the editorial, while pointing to Mr. Bush's "exceptional charm and amiability," maintained that there is a lack of "demonstrable evidence" that Mr. Bush is adequately qualified to be President. However, it was further stated that: "We could be wrong about that—and we remain open to argument." It is my view that, indeed, many such arguments can be made.

One could begin with the achievements which comprise the visible indicia of a man's record: Phi Beta graduate in Economics from Yale; outstanding war record as fighter pilot; executive ability demonstrated as founder of small drilling company in Texas, Zapata Offshore, which later grew into a multi-million dollar corporation under his direction; acknowledged "star" of the large Republican Freshman "Class of 1967" in the 90th Congress; fiscal background as a member of House Ways and Means Committee; foreign policy experience as U.N. Ambassador; political leadership as GOP Chairman.

At the same time, unlike former Presidents Johnson and Nixon, Mr.

Bush has been more than merely a professional politician. He has not sought to "make it" through the medium of politics. Rather, he is the "citizen politician" that so many have proclaimed as being necessary to upgrade the caliber and quality of our national leadership. He has shown an independence of judgment and moral awareness in making the tough decisions—when political expedience would have dictated otherwise. For example, he was the only Dixie-based Republican congressman who voted for the Open Housing Act of 1968.

He combines the best of the East and the West. Son of Prescott Bush, an establishment senator from Connecticut and partner in the influential investment banking firm of Brown Brothers Harriman, Mr. Bush was not content to rest on the family laurels. He struck out on his own to start a business career in Texas. Therein, as contrasted with more eastern establishment political figures, lies the source of his empathy with the self-made men who comprise the Gold-water wing of the Republican Party. In short, while possessing the social and intellectual credentials of a blue-blood easterner, Mr. Bush also reflects the openness and candor most often associated with westerners. He does not display the arrogance of the "best and the brightest."

Mr. Bush could be called an economic conservative and a human rights liberal. Representing the mainstream of moderate Republicanism, he nevertheless is a man of considerable style. Yet, his acknowledged charm and wit is more than just a politician's imagery. His intelligence, broad range of experience, sense of fair play, and proven leadership ability on the national and international level connote a man of true substance. It should not be forgotten that he is one of the few men who, as only a freshman congressman, was pegged by his colleagues and the press as a likely future presidential candidate.

T. P. ELLSWORTH JR.

Falls Church.

The Handicapped and Parking

The Department of Motor Vehicles of the District of Columbia issued me a special Handicapped Drivers Parking Permit in January of this year. Upon discovering that I did not have District tags on my car or a District drivers license, the permit was revoked. I was unaware that these requirements existed at the time I applied for the permit, and I certainly did not seek to misrepresent myself as to the fact that I did not have them.

Nonetheless, the fact that one must possess these things in order to receive the benefit of one of these permits is deplorable. The public service they ostensibly seek to render is a farce.

MICHELLE F. ROBERTSON.

Washington.

R

August 26, 1974

Mr. Jhongman Rhee, Custodian
U.S. Army Memorial Farms
Home of Agape Orphanage
P. O. Box 18
Pohang, Korea

Dear Mr. Rhee:

Thank you for your most gracious letter and
enclosures.

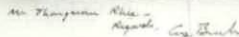
It was an honor to be considered by the
President, and I have been deeply touched
by the wonderful support of so many friends
around the country.

Now that the matter is settled, I hope all
Americans can unite behind this new
Administration.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

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9월 「제럴드·포드」 신임대통령의 사진으로 대체됐다.

백악관 記者室에서 대령정투심의 이르는 복도
에 걸렸던 모두 10장의 「니슨」 사진들은 그와 동
수의 「포트」 사진으로 바뀌었고 農務省에서는 그중
안나를 걸렸던 「니슨」·「포트」 사진중에서 「니
슨」 사진을 9일에는 볼 수가 없었다.

The honorable
George Bush,
Washington,
U.S.A.

[illegible]

1974年8月14日

뛰어난才能없으나誠實

새 大統領의 性品 반영한 「포드」人脈

「나는 「립친」의 아니고 「포드」의 불복하다」고 38代 美國大統領은 말했다. 「포드」를 知의 수치를 갖출 사람이니, 사람이든 동부한 사람이든 함으로 보는 측은 드물다. 그는 사람을 들의 성이기를 좋아하는 사람이지 「힐리리」처럼 혼자서 골똘히 사색하거나 변명하는 성격의 사람은 아니다. 그는 단순한 현실적인 政治家로 불려나. 「먼접의」 「닉슨」과 대조적이다. 「닉슨」은 학상 「립친」 같은 偉人으로 역사에 기록되기를 갈망하고 「우드로 · 윌슨」 같은 有識한 大統領 소리를 들기를 바랐다. 그가 중요한 결정을 내릴 때는 언제나 「캠프 · 메이비드」의 술이 들어갔다.

【워싱턴 〓 金 永 熙 특파원】

「넉슨」이 四面楚歌가 됐을 때 四圍를 둘러보아도 친구가 없었다.

「포드」는 12일 밤의 兩院會同會議에서 행한 첫 施政演

그가 大統領으로서의 최
연설의 주제를 『團結』로 잡

간의 술적인 면과 다. 이야기
라고 겹손하져 표현한것도 나
는 '리핀'이 아니다'라는 그
의 '스타일'을 함정한다.
'알렉산더·헤이그'를 위시
를 틀는 이른바 '포드·스택
은 작년 9월 '포드'가 부
통령에 지명된 이래 오랫동안
의下院의원 시절에 인연을 맺
은 소구모의 '스택'을 核心

문제에 부응하여 건설
 5개의 위원장을 모두
 의임.

그런데「노선」政權下에서「해
 이그」수석보좌관이 담당했던
 역할을 할것으로 예상되고 있
 다.

▲「존」마쉬(40)대통령교문
 「퍼지니아」州출신 民主黨下
 院원으로서 6년간「포드」
 대통령과 함께 敍出위원회의
 서임했다.

軍事, 外交문제의 전문가로
 앞으로 國防, 外交문제의 調
 整 역할을 담당할 예정이다.

▲「제임스」피홀스트(52)의

記者에게 “엘즈버그” 박사와의
호사가 가족에 관한 “스캔들”을
모아 보도록 하였나”고 의
했으니 “타초트”씨는 이
를 단호히 거부한 일도 있
다. 기자로서의 이러한 도
덕적 결성 때문에 그는 동료
자들과에서도 널리 존경을 받
고 있다.

▲「틀리엄서」의 의미(53)
「포드」대통령의 同鄉會社(동향회社)으로
「포드」친구. 「세이디」전 「국세經
理會社」를 경영하고있는 그는
「포드」측근중에서 가장 「사
프」한 인물로 定評(定評)이
나아 졌다.

▲「폴」밀티치(53)복합관료
公報(公報)시 66년에 「포드」의
新聞記者(新聞記者) 출신으로 「워시
턴」보도에 일일이 참가

▲리처드·바레(51)는 B-1출신으로 「닉슨」(行政府)의 법안관에서 근무한 경험이다. 「포드」의 下院의원이었다. ▲윌턴·프리트먼(50)은 「자율심」으로 「포드」의 「스피치

구축
인들은 記者出身
많아

下院때의인연을核心으로구축
하트먼顧問·터호스트代辯人·밀티치副代辯人등은 記者
美國中西部의 中産層출신 많아

하트먼顧問·터호스트代辯人·밀티치副代辯人 등은 記者出身



은것도 「존슨」의 越南戰과 「닐

환 20명 이상의

전 行 政 府 의 變

으로 급속히
美政界에서

구축된 것으
잘알려지지 않

악관 公報
임과함께

미서 II 「포드」의
디트로이트·뉴

부터
스. 다

한 친구. 현재



Butty and I truly appreciate
your warm message of congratulations.
Having the support of fine people like you
is most heartwarming and
we are deeply grateful for your encouragement.
With warmest personal regards

Paul R. Ford

President Ford and chief be nominated
as his vice-president, as much as
I had clipped your Korean news articles
and enclosed them with as my smallest
token on your most celebrated moment.
Yes, my Chairman Bush, I sent a
telegram of congratulatory on last
9th as it constants be followed.

"President ~~Richard~~ Ford
The White House
Washington DC, USA

Congratulations assuming the presidency
when the world desperately
demanding your brilliant leadership
and political philosophy there."

Indeed, this was probably the first
one as President Ford have had.

of course, I wrote a letter of sympathy to the first citizen, Mr. Richard Nixon, expressing all of my sentiments through a poem entitled; "The powers on shaking hands."

Needless adding my own further comments on your national issues, one era was over and new chapter was unfurled down.

yes, reproduced a reference,

I was communicating with President Ford while he was there, weep. Especially my memories want to restore of how I sent a Korean needs articles to him when they reported on "Ford's Cabinet." However at that time, your name does not pertain. In there, only honorable said

had been of merely notes.

yes, I wrote to honorable said, because he once introduced my lengthy letters to President Ford.

His card is placing at our office at seniority placement even though I was not graced by

receipt of his autographed picture yet.

Someday when you become his second man, certainly I will request his own picture through your favours, principally because his own should be replaced by former president Nixon's one at my home.

Again, on this privileged occasion, please accept our sincere and hearty congratulations for your wonderful news as to be the Vice.

Oh! On this earth, how the event will be so embraced upon when once again we can touching this news come into a true one!

please convey our best greetings to the president and our same amount of congratulations to your Mrs. Bush, my dearest
Honorable Chairman,

Sincerely,

Thongman Phee
custodian

Enclosure:
- on your articles -

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 30, 1974

Dear Mr. Rhee:

I have received your recent letter, and I appreciate your kind expression of good wishes on my impending departure from the President's staff.

I have found government service a rewarding experience because it has offered me ceaseless opportunities to contribute to our national life. However, I am looking forward to the challenges that exist outside the government with the conviction that I can effectively serve my country as a private citizen.

It was my pleasure to send your letters on to the President and give him your regards for a Happy New Year.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,



Melvin R. Laird
Counsellor to the President
for Domestic Affairs

Handwritten notes and signatures at the bottom of the page, including "Rhee", "Laird", and "Melvin R. Laird".

R
August 23, 1974

Mr. Cecil E. Robert
8009 Longford Street
Ft. Worth, Texas

Dear Mr. Robert:

Thanks so much for your note of the 21st--I'm very flattered by your support.

It was an honor to be considered. These are important times for our party and our nation and now that the President has settled the matter, I'm hoping all Americans can united behind this new Administration.

I also appreciate your sending the copy of the letter to President Ford. I'm certain he is glad to hear your thoughts on these areas.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB:kr

21 Aug

Dear Mr. Burd

We were waiting for

you, maybe later.

There are some letters
I sent to the white house.

But unlike

Respectfully
David S. Rockefeller
8009 Longwood.
Colonial, DSA
N.Y.

David

AUG 22 1974

Ft Worth, Texas
21 August 1974

Dear Mr. President:

The purpose of this letter is to offer some suggestions for actions that might be taken in "The Battle on Inflation".

1. Action prior to the Economic Summit meeting in September:

- a. In the office of the President-Vice President and the Cabinet reduce that portion of all salaries above \$10,000.00 by 10%. (Example- A person making a salary of \$40,000.00 would lose \$3,000.00) All allowances would be reduced 10% across the board. These provisions would apply to all aides, consultants, etc. that receive any monies for any reason from the offices mentioned above.
- b. Call on Congress to enact such legislation as necessary to accomplish the same reductions for them and their staffs.
- c. Stop for one year all general pay raises for all career employees of the Federal Government. Promotions would continue but no upgrading of positions would be allowed.
- d. Ask all State, County and Municipal governments to accomplish the same reductions and enact the same regulations within their respective jurisdictional areas.
- e. This plan would be followed for a twelve months period from the date agreed on at the Summit meeting.
- f. Continue the monthly publication of the Consumer Price Index. At the end of six months an across the board advance of all wages and prices would be allowed on $\frac{1}{2}$ of the total percentage increase.

2. At the Economic Summit meeting:

- a. Exact a commitment from labor and business that wages and prices would remain frozen for the agreed period. An increase would be allowed at the end of six months according to the provisions of 1f.

- b. Ask all Labor Leaders and Business Managers to reduce salaries and commissions for all of the personnel in their offices by 10% of that amount above \$10,000.00. Reduce all allowances by 10%.
3. Call on all Tax Free institutions, organizations and entities of this type to contribute 10% of their net worth above \$500,000.00 to the Treasury of the United States for the purpose of reducing the National Debt. Include all trusts to do the same. This contribution could be in the form of money, stock or whatever form that would be the easiest for the contributor.
 4. All retiree payments from government and private pension plans to be frozen at the level existing on the effective date selected.
 5. Request that all forms of Public media give complete coverage on a daily basis to this fight for economic survival. Report in detail on those areas of the government or private sectors which fail in any-way to comply with the enacted provisions. The coverage expected would be in the same detail as that of the Viet Nam War or Watergate.
 6. Enact credit controls so that all purchases in excess of \$500.00 must be accompanied by at least 20% in cash.

Respectfully,

Cecil E. Roberts
8009 Longford St

August 23, 1974

R

Dr. Elliot N. Rosenberg
737 Empire Avenue
Far Rockaway, N. Y. 11691

Dear Elliot:

Thanks very much for your warm letter of August 20.

I was honored to be considered, and doubly honored by the many friends across the country who supported me for the Vice President slot. It didn't work out, but, in any event, I was flattered to know you were in my corner.

Thanks again for those kind words and for your offer of assistance.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB/hc/hc

DR. ELLIOT N. ROSENBERG
737 EMPIRE AVENUE
FAR ROCKAWAY, N. Y. 11691
FAR ROCKAWAY 7-7733

Gerry
Dear
Elliot

Aug. 20, 1974

Dear George:

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be on my
gliff

I was glued to all news broadcasts this past week awaiting reports from Mr. Ford as to his Vice-Presidential appointment. I was fairly certain in my own mind that you were on the top of the list and this morning I was very disappointed when the announcement was made. I spoke to Bob Goldmen and he was down in the dumps about the appointment. I hope your moral is up -

You know my unprofessional opinion is that the job of V.P. or President will be yours in the not too distant future and I truly am looking forward to that day. I want you to know that if I can do anything in the future to help, you just have to call on me and I will work with Bob in your behalf.

I just wanted to drop you this short note to let you know my feelings.

Best regards and good luck -
Elliot R.

R

August 23, 1974

Dear Ray:

Just a quick note to thank you for your vote
of confidence in me for the Vice Presidency
-- I'm very flattered.

Now that the matter is settled, I hope all
Americans can unite behind this new
Administration.

Warmest personal regards and many thanks.

Sincerely,

George Bush

Mr. Ronald R. Roberts
17 Dixie Terminal Building
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

BILL GRADISON for CONGRESS COMMITTEE

Room 17, Dixie Terminal Building
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
(513) 579-9172

August 20, 1974

Mr. George Bush, Chairman
Republican National Committee
Dwight D. Eisenhower Republican Center
310 First Street, Southeast
Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear Mr. Bush:

You should have gotten the nomination!

Sincerely,

Ron Roberts

Ronald R. Roberts
Campaign Manager

RRR/ajw

Gerry
Dear Ron

done-VP

AUG 26 1974

Jack M. Rains

August 20, 1974

Dear George:

I am keenly disappointed that President Ford lacked the wisdom and foresight to select you as our next Vice President. It is the nation's loss that we will not have you in that important office.

George, I do hope you will continue to offer yourself for public service. I know you and your family have made many sacrifices and certainly no one could ever fault you for returning to a more serene existence. However, today we desperately need leadership.

We think of you often, admire you greatly and stand ready to offer our support and assistance at any time.

Hang in there.

Warmest personal regards,

Jack

The Honorable George Bush
Republican National Committee
310 First Street, S.E.
Washington, DC 20003

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Three Greenway Plaza East
Suite 1020
Houston, Texas 77046

The Honorable George Bush
Republican National Committee
310 First Street, S.E.
Washington, DC 20003



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VIA AIR MAIL

Alma
AUG 19 1974 8-13-74

Dear Mr. Bunk!

Here at 125 Locust St.

El Paso, Texas 79908 - we

want you as our

Use. I am

telling all my friends

to. One Ford & home

you. I have always had

fit you (free) here

in X. with me - all

kind - I have wanted

15 years or so.

Conf. of your. Also

and me a picture of

you as we can have

it from here - our

brother (I am praying

for you and my

prayer are always for

you and your

friend Alma

Please write +
send me a picture
of you - Thank you
soo much!

Love from all
the Royce family

Love at
125 Locust St.
EE Passy PA.
99905

Love 50 years +
will work for you
forever.

ma Anne Royce
125 Locust St.

Tel 532-8685

Attn: George
Bush

Washington, D.C.

Mr. George Bush

Pres. George
W. Bush



125 Locust St.
El Paso, N.
24405

August 22, 1974

Dear Shirley:

My secretary, Jane, told me of your telephone call, today.

I certainly hope that you get your problem resolved soon. Also, I was flattered to learn that you supported me for Vice President.

Best regards.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Mrs. Shirley Ramirez
4055 South 1600 West
Salt Lake City, Utah 84107

GB/dr

Notes

Utah
84107

South Lake City
Salt Lake City

Shirley Plummer
1608 West
South Lake City
4055

Mr.

D

David Plummer
1043
Cory Brook

R

August 22, 1974

Dear Bob:

Your letter of the 20th was a delight to read -- flip or not.

It was an honor to be considered for the job, and I have been doubly honored by the many wonderful messages of support from such great friends as you -- it's been quite an experience.

Those two drinks sound pretty good right about now.

Warmest personal regards....and thanks.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Mr. Robert Rosenstock
U. S. Mission to the U. N.
799 United Nations Plaza
New York, N. Y. 10017

gv



UNITED STATES MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS

799 UNITED NATIONS PLAZA
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10017

20 August 1974

*Sorry
Dear Bob*

Dear Ambassador Bush:

I am sure I am one of a very great many who is sorry things have not worked out differently. It would have been refreshing to have had someone in high office I knew from personal experience that I could unqualifiedly respect and like.

At risk of being flippant, I cannot resist suggesting that events perhaps prove that even a first-rate Texan can't beat one of us New Yorkers. That last remark makes me feel better about the two drinks I still owe you as a result of the failure of the N.Y. Giants to beat Dallas in 1972. I promise to repay this debt if I have two minutes warning that you are in New York. Otherwise, I shall try to drop by your office the next time the U.S. Government is wise enough to pay my way to Washington.

My best regards to Tom, Pete and Janie.

Sincerely,

Bob
Robert Rosenstock

The Honorable
George Bush
Republican National
Headquarters
310 First Street, S.E.
Washington, D. C.
20003

R
August 20, 1974

Dear Bill:

You and Sally are the greatest -- I am touched by your very kind words and, of course, flattered. Your good wishes for the Bush family are deeply appreciated.

Now that the matter is settled, I hope all Americans can unite behind this new Administration -- these are certainly important times!

Barbara joins me in warmest personal regards to you and Sally.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Mr. Shackelford Reeder
201 Oak Ridge Square
Midland, Texas 79701

gv

SHACKELFORD REEDER

201 OAK RIDGE SQUARE
MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701

915 - 683-2811

VP form

August 15, 1974

Mr. George Bush
5161 Palisade Lane, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20016

Dear George:

These last few days have really been exciting with every new report recommending you for the Vice-Presidency. Sally and I are delighted. There is no one who would be better and this comes from the heart.

We just wanted you and Barbara to know that we are thinking of you and sending our best wishes for the right selection.

Our love to you and the family.

Bill

R

August 19, 1974

Mrs. Grace M. Rojas
125 Locust Street
El Paso, Texas 79905

Dear Mrs. Rojas:

I am glad to have your endorsement for Vice President ~~and~~ ~~William~~
grateful for your past support. It has been good to hear from
supporters all across the country during this time that President
Ford is considering the nomination of a new Vice President.
Thank you for writing.

Very truly yours,

George Bush

GB:GJ

August 16, 1974

Mr. Donald M. Reynolds
Hammaraskjold House
University of California
Davis, California 95616

Dear Monti:

Thanks for your good letter. The whole atmosphere has changed and it's good for the country. By the time you get this the die will have been cast on the Vice Presidential thing, but, in any event, I am glad that you share that sense of rejuvenation that I feel.

Warm regards,

George Bush

GB/hc

HAMMARSKJÖLD HOUSE

University of California
Davis, California 95616

August 13, 1974

The Hon. George Bush,
Chairman
Republican National Committee
301 First St., S.E.
Washington, D.C.

AUG 15 1974

Dear George:

At LAST, I no longer have to look at honorable, decent, honest patriotic persons such as yourself and Elliot Richardson being put in the uncomfortable spot of sidestepping questions about that OBSCENE PERSON who has been disgracing America and the Presidency far too long.

I think you would make a splendid Vice-President, and hope so much that the fine, decent man at the helm might nominate you for that job.

The last time I -- a very active Democrat -- worked for a Republican was the Earl Warren gubernatorial election. But I am going to do that again, and form in this town a Democrats for Flournoy group, to support Hugh's campaign for the governorship.

If you do not take on the Vice-President's job and find yourself out here as Chairman of the RNC, we would love to have you speak on campus under the sponsorship of our dorm.

Good luck!

Most cordially yours,



Donald M. Reynolds
Housemaster
Associate Professor
of Bacteriology

August 19, 1974

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Kept
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in DC office
too big

Mr. Joe Carroll Rust
Editorial Page Editor
San Antonio Light
Broadway at McCullough
San Antonio, Texas 78291

Dear Joe:

That's a great cartoon! Thanks for sending it. We should have some news, hopefully good, by the time you receive this. But at least the suspense will be over soon.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB:GJ



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Aug. 13, 1974

George Bush
Republican National Hdqs.
310 1st St. SE
Washington, D.C. 20003

HC Thank

Dear George:

We thought you might like this. ^A We also have sent one to Anne.

As I cooked up the idea, the artist asked that I also sign it.

We hope a Texan gets the job, and both you and Anne are on our minds. Wouldn't it be strange if you and Bentsen meet again at the polls, both as veep nominees?

Sincerely,

Joe
Joe Carroll Rust
Editorial Page Editor

** The cartoon runs in the paper tomorrow, Aug. 14.*



By JOE CARROLL RUST

And Then There Were Two: You always see the Bankhead girls together. So, when the sisters—Cheryl, Melissa and Mary Ann—attended a wedding, it was the 11-year-old, Mary, who caught the bridal bouquet, as her older sisters glared. After much good-natured kidding and many predictions on who would be the next to wed, the perturbed Mary said, "Well, I AM single."



RUST

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Whodunit?: David Bowen and Alec Iorio give such superb performances in "Sleuth," now at Plaza Dinner Theater, that the others in the cast seem almost non-existent. David McKenna is to be congratulated on directing a fine play in a fine way. Well worth the seeing.

★ ★ ★
Love Story: Grafitti already on a local tavern wall is "Being granted immunity is having to say you are sorry."

★ ★ ★
About People: The Larry Hammers and Don Walheims hosting a surprise party for Julie Drum (Loren's wife) at the Loft...Dick Boyd honored at a kaffeeklatsch on his retirement from working news ranks...the R.L. Zirkeis on McKinney are proud of their son-in-law, Morgan Chickering, Brookline, Mass., who was awarded a research scholarship from the Blanche E. Colman Foundation. He is an oil painter who will use his grant for travel in Spain...Robert F. Smith opening the Our Lady of the Lake Snack Bar on 24th.

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Swivel Hips: A young lady tells us in defense of Elvis, that he is "not a has-been, but an only-been."

★ ★ ★
Mr. Chairman: When George Bush was in San Antonio and attended a cocktail gathering at the Joe Straus home on Argyle, he told the story of the reaction of a Communist delegate to the U.N. when Bush, then U.S. ambassador to the U.N., was named GOP chairman. "So you will be Chairman Bush now?" inquired the Communist. "Well, being party chairman in my country and being party chairman in your country are not quite the same," said Bush. How he found that out!

The Straus home, by the way, is turning into one of the real beauty spots of Alamo Heights. Joci and Joe have been fixing up the tiled-floored-and-plenty-of-windows house, which is next to the H.B. Zachrys and overlooks Olmos Dam.

★ ★ ★
Some Folks Will Bet on Anything: When a youngster put a penny in the gum machine at a local barber shop, a customer suggested the patrons might bet on which color gum would come out. Heck, we do wish we had put down some dough, as we suggested green, and the gum which was dispensed was that color.

★ ★ ★
Overheard on an Airplane: "What the world needs now is a plastic fork that does not break as soon as you stick it in the meat."



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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

MATTHEW J. RINALDO
TWELFTH DISTRICT
NEW JERSEY

August 13, 1974

The Honorable George Bush
Chairman
Republican National Committee
300 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear George:

I wanted you to know that I have today submitted your name to President Ford in response to his request for my suggestion on his choice for Vice President.

I took this action because I sincerely believe you are eminently qualified to step into the nation's second highest office.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Matt", written in dark ink.

MATTHEW J. RINALDO
Member of Congress

MJR:lvn

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August 19, 1974

Mr. Jules F. Rosenbaum
11525 Memorial Drive
Houston, Texas 77024

Dear Mr. Rosenbaum:

Thanks for your letter and for encouraging the telegrams to the White House. I appreciate your help in the past and your support for the Vice-Presidency. We'll all know by the time you get this letter, and I am sure that you will be pleased with whomever the President chooses.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB:gj

11525 Memorial Drive
Houston, Texas 77024
August 14, 1974

AUG 16 1974

Mr. George Bush
Chairman, Republican National Committee
310 First Street, S. E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bush:

I want to add my wishes to those of thousands of others that you will be our next Vice President. To help this along I have had several out of the state offices where I do business send telegrams to the White House urging your nomination.

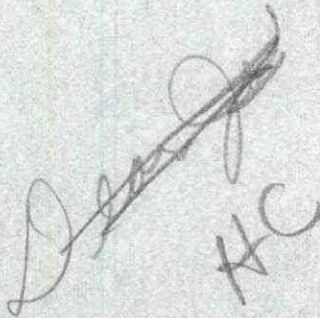
It has been my pleasure to work on your campaigns in the past. I feel that you are most capable of handling such an important position and wish you the best of luck.

Sincerely,



Jules F. Rosenbaum

JFR/kf


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August 19, 1974

Mr. Humberto Rodriguez
President
American Revolution Corporation, Inc.
5502 Ridgedale Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75206

Dear Humberto:

Muchas gracias por los deseos buenos. These are important times for our party and our nation. No matter whom the President picks, I hope Americans can unite behind this new Administration.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB:GJ

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Humberto Rodriguez
President

Dallas, August 14, 1974 -

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Mr. George Bush.
Chairman.
Republican National Committee.
Republican Party. Washington, D.C.

Dear George:-

I wish you could become our vice-president. Your integrity, honesty, are well known and profoundly appreciated. Besides, you are the type of person our Nation needs to go forward. Therefore, our best wishes and may God grant you that opportunity to serve... mankind.-

Of course, if you do get the job, I hope you will remember how to change our economic system into a full economic democracy. With Americans, ALL Americans, owning our country. And not just a few, as it is today.- That could be YOUR main contribution to destroy the fundamental cause of inflation. Which exists ONLY for those with fixed incomes, because we are productive ONLY with our labor power, and NOT with the combined power of labor and capital. A very simple secret, that YOU know quite well.

Good luck. Buena suerte, Señor. Mis mejores deseos para usted y su querida familia. Un amigo en Texas....

P.S.: Bob Strauss and I went all the way through
public school together in Stamford, Texas
& I worked for his father.

JOSEPH H. RUTHERFORD, D. D. S.

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August 12th, 1974

The Honorable George Bush
Chairman
The Republican Party of the United States
National Republican Headquarters
Washington, D. C.

Dear George,

WOW! What a chance President Ford
has to select the greatest American alive
for Vice-president! YOU!!!!!!!!!!

In our books you would make the best
Vice-president in our century. Referring
to Channel 13 in Dallas following your
recent interview there, quote " George
Bush is the first honest man in politics
that has appeared on our station in six
months." Coming for very lefty Channel
13 that statement is something else.

You referred in your last letter to
us that all hell was going to break loose
over Watergate. It has and we hope it is
over and that all in Washington can get on
with reasonable business. I can assure
you Central Texas is sick of it--and also
the news media.

Jeanne and I pray for you and keep
you in our minds all the time. We try our
best to follow your actions closely. Gosh
but we hope President Ford will see the
light and pick you for VP.

Give our best to your family and
remember in our very small way we are behind
you all 100%----

Our complete respect,

444

Jeanne and Joe Rutherford
'Your 'country' friends from
Waco.

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Ralph, Dr. James W.
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August 14, 1974

James W. Ralph, M.D.
276 Engle Street
Englewood, New Jersey 07631

Dear Jim:

Thank you for your generous expression of support for me to be the next Vice President. Although my name is being mentioned, I just don't know at this time what the outcome will be. It's great to have you on my side.

Thanks also for sending me a copy of your letter to the Washington Post. I will be interested to see if and when they print it. That was a very thoughtful thing for you to do.

Tom tells me you are relocating in North Carolina. I wish you the best of luck in your new location. I hope you will keep in touch through Tom.

Thanks again.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB:TL:jj

bcc Don Rhodes (w/encl.) Don - Please watch the Post to see if they print this letter.

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P.S. Tom advises that he received the copy of your letter to President Ford and the Bergen Record editorial this morning. Again, many thanks!

GB

James W. Ralph, MD
276 Engle Street
Englewood, New Jersey 07631

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13 August 1974

The Washington Post
ATTN: Letters to the Editors
1150 - 15th St. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20071

Gentlemen:

GOP Chairman George Bush is the best choice to become the next Vice President of the United States.

Bush's foreign affairs experience as U.N. Ambassador would be a valuable asset to President Ford. He is the one man of integrity and stature to be acceptable to all branches of the Republican Party, as well as all the American people. George Bush has the leadership qualities that every Vice President (as a potential future President) must have.

Sincerely,



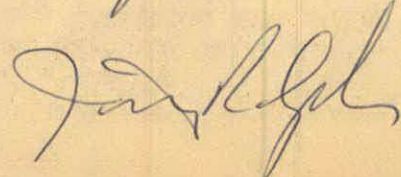
James W. Ralph, MD

After Sept 1st.

James W. Ralph, M. D.
Hospital Professional Bldg.
603 Beamon Street
Clinton, N. C. 28328

Mr. Bush -

Just wanted to say that you have
my support, & the support of many,
to become Vice President of the U.S.
I hope you get the nod because
I know you will be a great V.P.



JAMES W. RALPH, M.D.
276 ENGLE ST.
ENGLEWOOD, N.J. 07631

Air Mail, Special Delivery

August 14, 1974

President Gerald Ford
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I believe George Bush, Chairman of the Republican National Committee, is the best choice to become the next Vice President of the United States.

Bush's foreign affairs experience as a U.N. Ambassador would be a valuable asset to your administration. He is the one man of integrity and stature to be acceptable to all branches of the Republican Party -- as well as the American people. George Bush has the leadership qualities that every Vice President (as potential future President) must have.

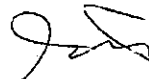
It is worthy of note that the very liberal Bergen Record had kind words for George Bush when he left the U.N. to head the Republican National Committee. A copy of the Record editorial is enclosed.

Sincerely,



James W. Ralph, MD

Tom - Here is a follow-up letter to the President. I thought the editorial said a lot, a copy is enclosed for your use, I sent the original to G.B. in '72. I sent letters similar to this - copies of the editorial to Senators Helms, Bellmon & Barlett + a few Congressmen -



An ambassador for the G.O.P.

If President Nixon had intended by his choice of Republican party chairman to clean up some of the grubbiness that has stuck to the GOP inner councils in the wake of Watergate, he couldn't have picked a better man than George Bush.

Mr. Bush insists that politics is an honorable business, one that has much to do with the quality of government in a two-party system. More, he behaves as if his belief should be adopted by his colleagues. This will be a refreshing change in a party council that has been implicated in some of the shabbiest actions since the administration of U. S. Grant.

Mr. Bush has the knack of coming to a job for which he seems unprepared and giving a superb performance that sets new standards for those who will succeed him. That's what happened in the post that he is leaving at the United Nations. When he was named Ambassador to the United Nations, there was a tendency among foreign diplomats — and the

American public — to ask: "George who?" There has been a solid answer in the past two years. Mr. Bush brought to his post the same qualities of willingness to listen and learn, of enthusiasm, of tireless patience, and of a stubborn integrity backed by a first-rate mind. It didn't take long for the diplomatic community to realize that the United States was represented in the world council by a man who could and would stand up to be counted.

Running the Republican party may not be as important in the long run as stating United States policy at the United Nations. Mr. Bush's counsel will be missed along the East River. If he can clean up the mess in the party headquarters on the Potomac, however, with as much integrity as he showed at the United Nations, Mr. Bush will have performed a service that the President — and ultimately the American people — sorely need.

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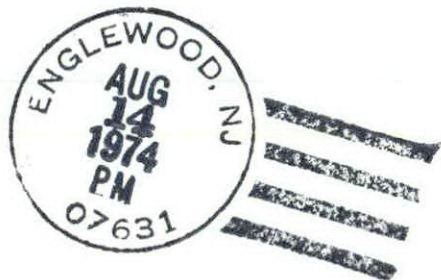
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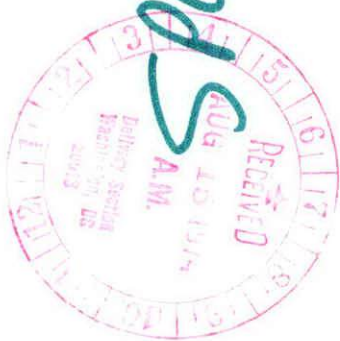


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BECOMING VICE PRESIDENT AS A NATIVE HOUSTONIAN AND EVEN THOUGH
I WAS IN NEW YORK WHEN YOU FOUGHT AGAINST LLOYD BENTSON I STRONGLY
SUPPORTED YOU MUCH LUCK AND I HOPE DESPERATELY FOR YOU WITH ALL
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Dear ~~Leon~~ Leon

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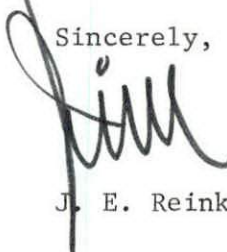
The Honorable George Bush
Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 1st Street, S. E.
Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear George:

I talked to Frank Borman and we just wanted you
to know we both wish you all the best.

We are in your corner and are prepared to do
anything we can to be of help. Just let us know.

Sincerely,



J. E. Reinke

VP form

Dear Jim

~~Dear Frank~~

August 13, 1974

Dear Boss,

AUG 15 1974

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I hope the next

time I address you it
will be "Mr. Vice President"

My hopes and prayers
and "tons of telegrams"
to the President go out
to you and Ben. I
was going to get out.

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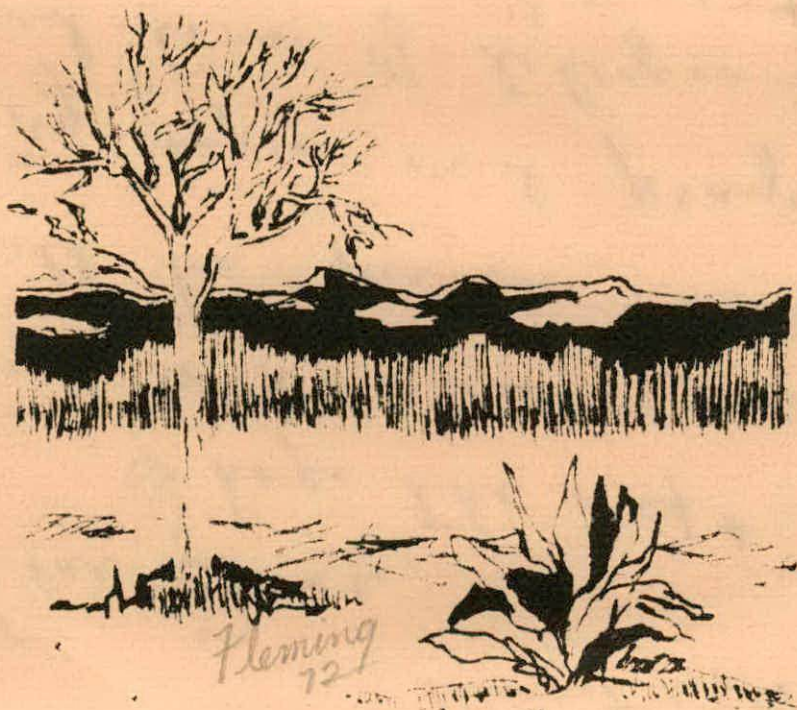
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with everything I
always knew something

P.S. Joe had an arterial
graft yesterday & now
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his best work and Regal
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Good luck,
from

your
great friend
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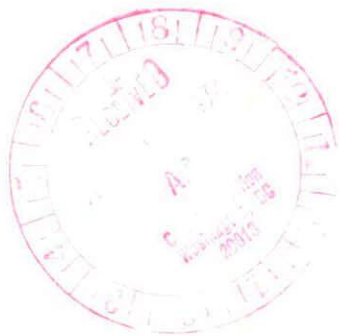
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Bush The Best Man

On Oct. 12, 1973, prior to the selection of Gerald R. Ford as President Nixon's vice president, we urged the naming of George Bush for the second spot.

Now, nearly 10 months later, we once again urge the selection of Bush as vice president, this time under the administration of President Ford.

Bush, we are told, is high on the list of those being considered, and rightfully so. If anyone in recent months has taken a beating it has been Bush in his capacity of chairman of the Republican National Committee.

But we're not recommending Bush because he's had it rough. We're backing Bush because we feel he is the best man and the timing is finally right for him.

George Bush is a capable and qualified man, and he has a record of accomplishments to prove it.

Bush is compatible with Ford on foreign and domestic issues. He was the U. S. ambassador to the United Nations in 1971. The background and friendships he made would certainly be helpful now.

He met the qualifications as a supporter of Republican domestic policies, having been named chairman of the party in January, 1973.

Bush is a former member of

the House, elected from the conservative Southwest district in Harris County. While in the House, as a freshman, he served on the powerful Ways and Means Committee. He was popular in the House and had to be popular in the Senate to get approval for the U.N. post.

His background is a mixture of the East and West. He is the son of the late Sen. Prescott Bush, R-Conn., and he took a fledgling oil company in West Texas and turned it into the multimillion dollar Zapata Petroleum Corp.

He is young, politically, at 50, and we feel would be instantly successful at the national level.

Bush has run for the Senate twice in Texas, defeated by Ralph Yarborough and Lloyd Bentsen. At those times, Bush was just at the wrong place at the wrong time.

Many Democrats, in the Bentsen-Bush race, had the feeling Texas could not lose in that election because Bush and Bentsen were so much alike, both in style and beliefs.

We strongly feel Bush would lend a valuable hand to President Ford. Michigan to Texas covers a wide area, and we believe the combination would be a great one.

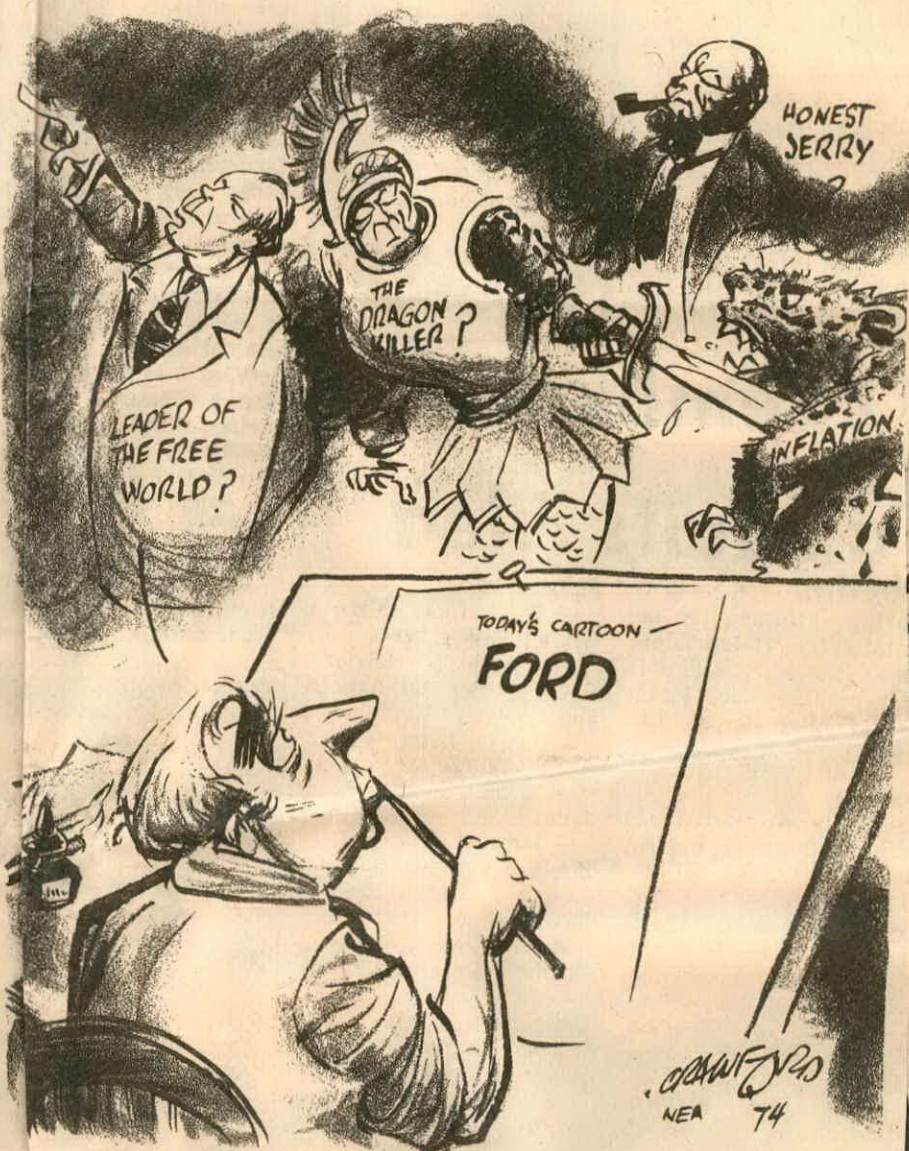
We hope Bush is the choice. He has earned it.

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Tuesday, August 13, 1974

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August 15, 1974

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Dear Ralph:

I have your note of August 13. Your message to Jerry -oops- President Ford flattered me to no end.

Best personal regards.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Mr. Ralph B. Rogers
Chairman of the Board
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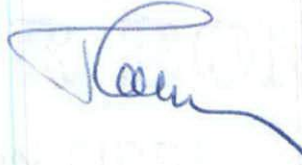
Mr. George Bush
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310 First Street, S.E.
Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear George,

Enclosed is a copy of a telegram which I sent to
President Ford (I can no longer call him Gerry).

Good luck!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Rogers", with a long, sweeping underline.

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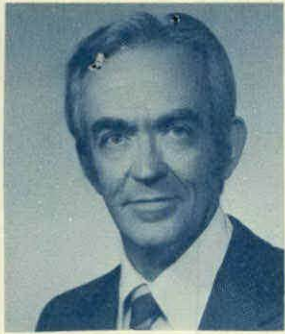
CITY & STATE WASHINGTON, D. C.

TO FURTHER THE GOOD WORK YOU HAVE ALREADY BEGUN IN UNIFYING THE PEOPLE, YOU
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BONUS FROM SUCH AN APPOINTMENT WOULD ALSO MEAN THE REBIRTH OF THE REPUBLICAN
PARTY NATIONALLY AS GEORGE HAS CONDUCTED HIMSELF UNDER THE MOST TRYING
CIRCUMSTANCES WITH ENERGY AND DIGNITY WHICH HAS BROUGHT HONOR TO HIM AND TO
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Mr. George Bush
Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street, Southeast
Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear George:

I just talked with "Huck" Boyd and was pleased to hear that we have the same idea regarding the vice-presidency: you! You would be a most logical choice for a host of reasons.

Huck said he would tell you about my loss in the governorship primary, and of my intention to stay in the political arena if at all possible - that's the only way this loss can become a gain!

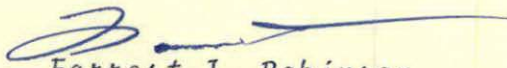
Many are telling me I am the very type President Ford is wanting in his administration, and I personally believe I would have much to contribute.

I met President Ford when he was here in Kansas recently. He commented that Senator Dole had told him of my candidacy and my effort.

We do believe a new day can come to our land and I want with all the fiber of my being to contribute to its coming.

Any consideration you could give to helping me find the place I could "fit," would be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,


Forrest J. Robinson

FJR:li

cc: Mr. McDill "Huck" Boyd

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FORREST J. ROBINSON

Candidate for Governor

Minister of one of the largest churches in Kansas (First United Methodist in Wichita) before resigning to seek the Republican nomination for Governor.

Part owner of 480-acre wheat farm. Currently residing in Wichita.

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

(Prior to entering the ministry)

Owner-operator of gift and jewelry stores for eight years.

Systems analyst for the Boeing Company

EDUCATION

Educated in Winfield schools and attended Southwestern College in Winfield.

Bachelor's degree in Commerce, Oklahoma State University

Master's degree in Divinity, Drew University

Honorary Doctor's degree in Divinity, Southwestern College

CIVIC RESPONSIBILITIES

Member, Derby, Kansas, Planning Commission
Trustee and Steering Committee Chairman,
Southwestern College

Officer or member of the board of directors of many civic and service organizations, including the Chamber of Commerce, Salvation Army, Mental Health Association, National Council on Alcoholism and Kiwanis.
Co-Chairman of the 1972 Republican gubernatorial campaign.

MILITARY SERVICE

Served in the 104th Infantry Division in Europe during World War II.



The Fred Braun Family: Fred, Margie, Eric (8), Bruce (13), Randy (12) and Christina (6).

FRED P. BRAUN, JR.

Candidate for Lt. Governor

President and majority owner, TecTank, Inc.
South Industrial Park, Parsons—national manufacturer of bulk storage tanks.

Currently residing on a farm three miles northwest of Parsons

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

Vice President, Tenth and Main Corporation, developer of TenMain Center—a \$14 million office building complex in downtown Kansas City, Missouri.

General Manager, Kansas City Pump Company

District Manager, Air Products & Chemicals, Inc.

Salesman, Standard Pressed Steel Company

EDUCATION

Bachelor's degree in Economics, Lafayette College
Master's degree in Business Administration, Harvard University

CIVIC RESPONSIBILITIES

District Chairman, Boy Scouts of America, serving three county area

Past member of the governing body of Lake Quivira, Kansas (Chairman of Budget, Long Range Plan and Real Estate committees).

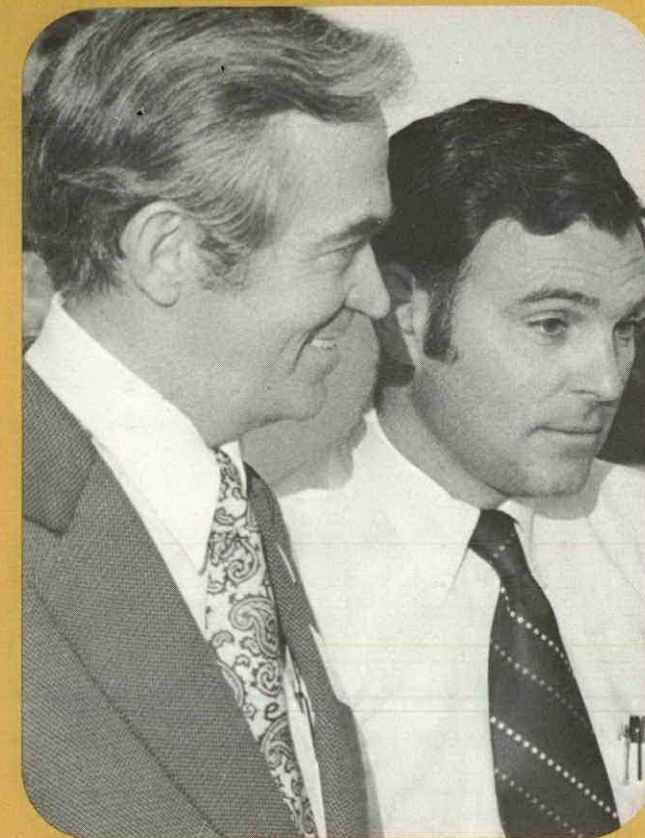
State Chairman of Action Now program of Republican Party in 1969. (Recognized by national party leaders as one of the most successful.)

Has worked extensively with state and local authorities on programs for the disadvantaged, elderly and racial minorities.

Director, Parsons Chamber of Commerce

MILITARY SERVICE

First Lieutenant, Infantry—taught basic training at Fort Dix, New Jersey.



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603 Beamon St.
Clinton, N.C. 28328

11 August 1974

Mr. Tom Lias
Republican National Committee
310 First St., S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Tom:

The enclosed letter to the President is self-explanatory. My letter of 5 Aug has been made "inoperative" by the events of the past week.

I feel George Bush has the stature to become V.P. and also should be acceptable to all branches of the GOP. Also he does not have the disadvantage of age that Goldwater and Rockefeller have.

I should be passing through Washington on Tuesday or Wednesday and will give you a call.

Sincerely,



James W. Ralph, MD

After Sept 1st:
Hospital Professional Bldg.
603 Beamon St.
Clinton, N.C. 28328

11 August 1974

Hon. William Widnall
U. S. House of Representatives
Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Widnall:

The enclosed letter to the President is self-explanatory.

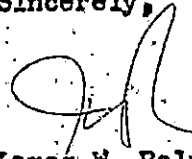
I believe George Bush has the stature to become V.P. and also should be acceptable to all branches of the GOP. Furthermore, he does not have the disadvantage of age that might affect the chances of Goldwater and Rocky in future national elections. I would expect the nominee for V.P. to be a potential Presidential nominee at some time in the future.

I respectfully request that you consider the name of George Bush when you are in a position to submit the names of your choices to become Vice President.

To change the subject, I want to sit down with you to talk about your own campaign as soon as possible. I will give you office a call when I drive through ~~Washington~~ Washington later in the week, probably Tues or Wed. I don't know if I will have time to drop by the office, but I will try to set up something back at your Jersey office.

Please give my regards to Mrs. Widnall.

Sincerely,



James W. Ralph, MD

CC: Tom Lias

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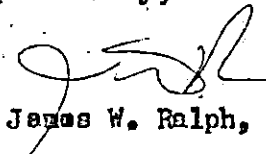
11 August 1974

President Gerald Ford
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

For Vice President: George Bush.

Sincerely,



James W. Ralph, MD

CC: Congressman Bill Widnall
Mr. Tom Lias

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GOES ON TO SOMETHING ELSE.

August 26, 1974

Dear Don:

Thanks for your note of the 22nd. I'm very
flattered.

The Vice Presidential thing didn't go quite
the way we wanted, but there's no denying
it was an enormous honor to be considered.

I really appreciate your note, Don, and if
I can be helpful to you at any time, it will
be my pleasure.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Honorable Don Samuelson
507 W. Mercer, Apt. 601
Seattle, Washington 98119

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George

DON AND RUBY SAMUELSON

507 W. Mercer, Apt. 601
Seattle, Washington 98119

Dear Don

Aug 22, 1974

AUG 26 1974

Dear George:

We were sorry that the President did not select you as his Vice President. We tried to generate as much support as we could -

It is my hope that the President will temper the Vice Presidential appointment with at least a few good Conservative appointments soon.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter that I sent several days ago -

If I can help you in any other way for any other position that you are interested in - Please let me know -

Sincerely,
Don Samuelson

August 19, 1974

The Honorable Gerald Ford
President of the United States of America
The Whitehouse
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

The news media has been saying that there is a likelihood you may ask Rogers Morton to serve as your Chief of Staff. If this is true, and he accepts, I would deeply appreciate being given consideration for the position of Secretary of the Interior.

Briefly, my qualifications are as follows:

- Served as Chairman of the State Senate Public Resources and Public Recreation Committee in Idaho for Six years. Idaho, as you are no doubt aware, has 30% of its lands in public ownership; 65% federal, 9% state and 6% cities and other governmental units. As Chairman, I was responsible for and helped prepare a State Constitutional Amendment, approved by the voters, which created a State Water Board. Further legislation was prepared by my Committee to implement the State Water Board and Water Department.
- During my six years in the Senate, I served on the Senate Appropriations Committee. This Committee of course, was key to many aspects of coordinating and funding various cooperative State-Federal programs, and we gained a great deal of experience in working with the various federal agencies. It was necessary, of course, that I work very closely with grazing, mineral, timber and recreational interests throughout the state, both during my six years as Committee Chairman, and during four subsequent years as Governor.
- As Governor of Idaho from 1967-1971, I served as Chairman of the State Land Board. Immediately after taking office, I introduced legislation - which passed both houses by a near-unanimous vote,

changing the State Land Department from a politically staffed agency to a professional Department charged with properly managing the extensive natural resources of Idaho.

-As Chairman of the State Land Board, I was responsible for the coordination of the Board and the legislature on such measures as Dredge Mining Legislation, Wild River Acts, both Soil and Wildlife Conservation, and Land and Timber Management bills. During my administration, we passed further legislation creating a State Park Department, and worked very closely with the U. S. Forest Service to create Idaho's first joint State-Federal Recreation area in the Selkirk Mountain Range of north Idaho.

-Another landmark of my administration was the joint development, by State and Federal officials, of a comprehensive long-range plan for utilization of the state's critical water resources. This plan provides for the orderly development of approximately ten million acres of fertile land, once economic conditions and the onset of world food shortages make such development advisable.

-I started the first Governor's Indian Advisory Council in the United States. We met formally with the various Indian Council members twice a year, and established lines of communication that were used freely throughout the year.

-In my present position as a member of the Northwest Federal Regional Council, I have worked with the Council on all of the programs that affect the Alaska Natives. During the past three years I have become very familiar with the Alaska Native Claims Act, and have visited a large number of Native Villages and leaders. I have also become deeply involved with the D-1 and D-2 and Land Use Studies of Alaska, because of the Department of Transportation Corridor Study input.

-True conservation - as differentiated from preservationist attitudes - has been a primary interest all my life. It was my pleasure to serve as Chairman of District One of the Idaho Wildlife Federation

for two terms, and as a Director for many years. Until my election to the State Senate, I served as Statewide Vice-President and Director.

It was indeed a pleasure for me to read your Statement on the Environment, so ably presented by Secretary Morton in Spokane last week. This common-sense approach has long needed implementation, and I heartily endorse the principles so well stated, and would welcome the opportunity to help implement them.

Throughout my life, I have worked towards better management of our public land, and proper management of our Natural Resources. To me, that means orderly development, tempered by measures keyed to ecological concerns and true, workable conservation. I firmly believe the job can be done, and presents a worthwhile challenge. It would indeed be a pleasure for me to serve your administration, and I know I can be a credit to you and to the administration.

I would be available to any of your staff at any time for further discussion.

Sincerely,

DON SAMUELSON
Republican Governor of Idaho,
1967-1971

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August 26, 1974

Mr. Dolph C. Simons, Jr.
The LAWRENCE DAILY JOURNAL-WORLD
Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Dear Dolph,

Thanks so very much for your kind note of the
21st--I'm very flattered.

It was a real honor to be considered for the
post. Now that President Ford has made his
selection, I hope everyone will get behind
the new Administration.

Thanks again for the note and my best wishes.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB:kr

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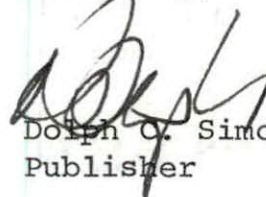
Mr. George Bush
Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street Southeast
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear George:

I must admit I am disappointed about the selection of the Vice Presidency as I think you would have been an excellent choice. Nevertheless, things usually work out for the best and perhaps six months, or 30 months from now, the actions and decisions of this past week will have proven to be in the best interests of you, the country and the GOP.

Don't forget to have Pete and some of your other associates put "Lawrence" on your itinerary one of these days. I would thoroughly enjoy having you out and I think we could put on a good show for you.

Sincerely,



Dolph C. Simons, Jr.
Publisher

DCSJr:pm



August 23, 1974

Mr. Bernard M. Shanley
Member for New Jersey
570 Broad Street
Newark, N. J. 07102

Dear Bern:

Your letter of August 20 was high praise indeed! I was very flattered and deeply touched by your extremely kind remarks.

The matter is now settled, and I hope that all Americans will unite behind this new Administration. I can only see much brighter days ahead for all of us.

Thanks again, Bern, and I'm sure our paths will continue to cross often.

Warmest regards,

George Bush

GB/hc/hc



Republican
National
Committee.

Bernard M. Shanley
Member for New Jersey
Vice Chairman
Republican National Committee
570 Broad Street
Newark, New Jersey 07102
(201) 643-1220

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August 20, 1974

The Honorable George Bush, Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear George:

I have just turned the radio off after hearing Nelson, and it is with some sadness that I cannot call you "Mr. Vice President".

Your dedication to your country, and also to your Party, has been so outstanding that I have heard much of this in the past few days while people awaited the President's decision.

I only hope, as the future will bring great things to you, that our paths will still cross often. Your friendship means a great deal to me.

As ever,



Bernard M. Shanley

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*Dear Bern
VP form*

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Dear George,

I'm disappointed in
the outcome of the VP nomination.
I will certainly support the
nominee but I was so
proud to have you or someone
I could be very positive about.
Your open housing vote in
1968 was a major act of
(OVER)

Courage and I've always
admired you for it. It ~~is~~
this quality of conviction and
courage that I admire most
in you. In any event, we
all tried and given the
validity of events of the past
two years there may yet be
a time.

Your friend, Jim

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August 23, 1974

Dear Joyce:

Thanks so much for your lovely letter —
I'm very flattered.

I was honored to be considered for the
job, and doubly honored by the many
wonderful people who supported me for the
the Vice Presidential slot. It's been
quite an experience.

Now that the matter is settled, I hope
all Americans will unite behind this
new Administration.

With kindest regards, and many thanks, I am

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Ms. Joyce Symons
7155 West 14th Court
Hialeah
Florida 33014

JOYCE SYMONS
7155 W. 14TH COURT
HIALEAH, FLA. 33014

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August 15

Dear George:

Just to say thank you
for your very kind letter
and by this little note
I send a wish that the
best will come your way.

Sincerely,

Joyce

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August 25, 1974

Dr. John Siqueiros
Department of Mass Communications
The University of Texas at El Paso
El Paso, Texas

Dear Dr. Siqueiros:

Thanks so very much for your note of the 21st--
I'm very flattered.

It was a real honor to be considered for the
post. Now that President Ford has made his
selection, I hope everyone will get behind
the new Administration.

Thanks again for your support.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

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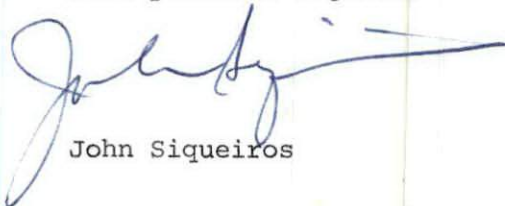
AUG 22 1974

Mr. George Bush
Republican National Committee
310 First Street S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Bush:

My hopes were high on your behalf respecting President Ford's Vice Presidential appointment. I am hopeful you will continue to guide the party through your present office.

Best personal regards,



John Siqueiros

Dear Dr Siqueiros

August 23, 1974

Mrs. Jean Sullivan
Member for Alabama
311 Cresthaven Court
Selma, Alabama 36701

Dear Jean:

Your letter was great and I can't tell you how much I appreciate all your efforts on my behalf. I was honored to be considered, and doubly honored by the many friends across the country who supported me for the Vice President slot -- I am certain from those clippings that you were in the forefront.

Tell Teresa she need no longer worry!

The matter is now settled, and I hope that all Americans will unite behind this new Administration.

Warm regards,

George Bush

GB/hc/hc



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National
Committee.

Mrs. Jean Sullivan
Member for Alabama
311 Cresthaven Court
Selma, Alabama 36701
(205) 874-9069

Mrs Smith

Dear Jean

August 14, 1974

Dear George,

Sure hope That this is my last time
to write to you as my R.N.C. Chairman. We
don't really need to go this far to get rid
of you, do we ??

Enclosed are two clippings I thought
you would be interested in -

Best of luck. Give Barbara my love.
Since someone might (in the future) think
I'm disrespectful by this closing, I'll take
every advantage now -

Love ya!

Jean

P.S. Teresa said to tell you that her
prayers are with you. She also said, "Mother
will they do to Mr. Bush what they did to
Mr. Agnew?" I replied, "If so - I pray to
God he's never selected."

Sullivan urges Bush for Ford's new veep

By STAN VOIT
Associate Editor

Jean Sullivan is spending most of her time these days on the telephone, calling fellow Republicans, drumming up support for her man as vice president.

"Bush, Bush, Bush," she listed as her top three choices for vice president. She was referring to GOP National Chairman George Bush of Texas, and that's who she wants as President Gerald Ford's top assistant.

"He's been a friend of mine since 1968," Mrs. Sullivan said from her Selma home, amid ringing telephone and stacks of letters.

Mrs. Sullivan is a Republican national committeewoman, and is one of four Alabama Republicans asked for

their recommendations for a VP choice. Committeeman Perry Hooper of Montgomery likes Bush, California Gov. Ronald Reagan and Arizona Sen. Barry Goldwater. Congressman John Buchanan of Birmingham prefers Bush alone. Congressman William Dickinson leans toward Bush, Reagan and "nobody from New York State," an obvious reference to former Gov. Nelson Rockefeller.

Mrs. Sullivan likes Bush's integrity, sincerity and honesty. She also feels the GOP should start planning a ticket for 1976, and a Ford-Bush ticket is her top choice. She listed Bush as her three choices because she felt it would add strength to his vote tally.

"I'm not for



SULLIVAN

Rockefeller, but my 11th commandment is that I don't say anything ugly
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Sullivan

about a Republican," she said. "I like Mr. Rockefeller. I like what he did with the welfare project in New York and I'm sure the conservatives can accept him. But I don't know if he'll be accepted."

She likes Goldwater but is concerned about his age. She wants a "young and dynamic" vice president.

Mrs. Sullivan is so confident about the GOP future that she's sure

Ford's VP choice will provide the second half of the 1976 Republican national ticket, which she feels will be easily elected.

"He's going to do such an outstanding job as president," she said of Ford, "that he'll have to stay on. You don't stop in the middle of the football game. He's a player and a fighter. He's been to Alabama 11 times in the past 10 years, and his wife Betty is coming to Bir-

mingham Sept. 9 for St. Vincent's Hospital."

She doesn't like to compare Ford with former President Nixon. She admires Ford's sense of humor which she said is far better than Nixon's, and also feels Ford has "a deep sense of what's right." She recalled Ford's defense of the newly elected Alabama congressional Republicans in 1964 when they were criticized by northern Republicans.

Alabama GOP leaders favor Bush for veep

By Franklin Skinner

Staff Writer

George Bush, national GOP chairman, will be the new vice president if Alabama representatives of the GOP have anything to do with it.

President Ford asked for recommendations for a vice president from each state's Republican leaders, and Alabama's selection is turning out Bush.

Alabama's GOP state chairman, national committeeman, national committeewoman and the three Republican congressmen were asked to submit three names for a candidate.

Committeeman Perry Hooper of Montgomery, committeewoman Mrs. Jean Sullivan of Selma and Reps. John Buchanan of Birmingham and William Dickinson of Montgomery made Bush their first choice.

Richard Bennett, state chairman, was unavailable for comment and Rep. Jack Edwards of Mobile has not made a decision.

Mrs. Sullivan said her three selections were "Bush, Bush and Bush." Hooper said his selections were Bush, California Gov. Ronald Regan and Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona.

Dickinson said his selections were Bush, Reagan and "Nobody from New York state."

An aide for Buchanan said Bush is his only choice, but if two more are needed, "it will be Bush and Bush."

Bush, a former congressman from Texas, has also served as ambassador to the United Nations.

Mrs. Sullivan said Ford has been criticized for his lack of knowledge in foreign affairs, and that Bush, "with his knowledge of the U.N. will be the perfect choice."

Mrs. Sullivan said she has been lobbying for Bush as the vice presidential selection "and it's getting very strong for him." Mrs. Sullivan, looking forward, said "We're making up a ticket for 1976."

Hooper said it's the "general opinion of a great number of Republicans that Bush is the man." Hooper said Bush, 49, has appeal to the young and is "honest and forthright."

Ford has asked that recommendations be submitted by Wednesday. The votes will be

August 15, 1974

Mr. John Siqueiros, Chairman
Radio and TV Department
Box 328, University of Texas
at El Paso
El Paso, Texas 79968

Dear John:

I was very pleased to hear from my good friend, Don Henderson, that you and he have been in close touch on matters political. I just wanted you to know that I appreciate very much the concern and interest on your part. I believe the party has an awful lot to offer and with leaders like you hanging in there we'll do OK.

I hope our paths cross in the not too distant future.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

BCC: Don Henderson

GB/hc

August 15, 1974

Mr. Donald S. Henderson
1401 Montana
El Paso, Texas 79902

Dear Don:

Hope this letter to Siqueiros does the job.

Warm regards,

George Bush

Att.

GB/hc

Memo from Jan Kelly Williamson
Management Secretary



Oh, I hope so
too!

Love,
Jan



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August 12, 1974

AUG 14 1974

Mr. George Bush, Chairman
Republican National Headquarters
310 First Street, Southeast
Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear George:

I hope that by the time you get this you will be the Vice President of the United States. It was great being with you. Just wish we had an opportunity to get together more often.

George, I would like for you to drop a note to John Siqueiros. I believe you have visited with John previously. He is a long time friend of mine. He has come from a liberal Democrat to a Republican and is very active in the Mexican-American organization. I believe he can be a big asset to us in that endeavor. We had lunch the other day and he very much wants to talk with you or get together with you.

John's address is -

Chairman, Radio & TV Department
Box 328 - University of Texas at El Paso
El Paso, Texas 79968.

I'll let you carry it from there and whatever I can do from this vantage point, I will.

Love to all,

Don
Don

DSH:jkw

August 13, 1974

Mr. Dolph C. Simons, Jr.
Journal-World
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dolph:

I'm extremely grateful to you for that warm supportive letter dated August 8. I guess it's fair to say that the President is giving serious consideration to this, but heaven knows what he'll do. In any event, flattering, kind letters such as yours mean an awful lot.

Last Friday is a day I'll never forget, but there's a bold new optimism abroad in the country, and I must say things feel much better.

Warm regards,

George Bush

GB/hc

DOLPH C. SIMONS, JR.
JOURNAL-WORLD
LAWRENCE, KANSAS

August 8, 1974

Mr. George Bush
Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street Southeast
Washington, D.C. 20003

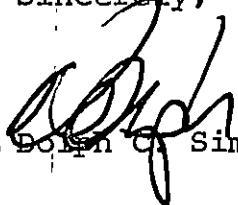
Dear George:

I don't know what will happen in the next few days, but before any formal decisions are announced, I want you to know I think you would be a great selection for vice-president. It would be good for the country, the Republican party and I am confident you would do an excellent job.

As you know this is not any last minute thinking prompted by the various listings of potential vice-presidential candidates, but rather a sincere feeling on my part for a long time that you should be in office at the national, executive level.

No matter how things work out, I know you will do a superb job in any capacity in which you serve.

Sincerely,


Dolph C. Simons, Jr.

DCSJr:df

August 22, 1974

H. E. Mr. Guillermo Sevilla-Sacasa
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
Embassy of Nicaragua
1627 New Hampshire Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20009

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Barbara and I were delighted to get that warm friendly telegram. We can't possibly tell you how much your friendship has meant to us over the last few years.

The Vice Presidential matter went to a very well qualified Governor Rockefeller, but the kind thoughts that we Bushes had from our friends will be with us for a long, long time.

Warm regards,

George Bush

P.S. I'm dictating this as I'm about to grab the plane for vacation so I've asked my secretary to sign it.

GB/hc



Telegram

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PMS HONORABLE GEORGE BUSH

5161 PALISADE LN N W

WASH DC 20016

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A BARBARA. TE MANDE CON ELLA MIS RECUERDOS. HE TRATADO DE
LLAMARTE A TU TELEFONO PERO ME DICEN QUE ES PRIVADO. BIEN SABES
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GUILLERMO SEVILLA-SACASA

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K.E.

Ambassador Extraordinary

Plenipotentiary

Embassy of Nicaragua

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LOS MONSIEGE GEORGE BUSH

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I ran into Barbara when I was leaving the Capitol last Monday and asked her to give you my regards. Have tried to call you at your home on several occasions but have been told that it is a private number. We are thinking of you and hoping for your success.

Kindest personal regards,

Guillermo Sevilla Sacasa
(Dean, Diplomatic Corps)

August 26, 1974

Dear Don and Marie Louise:

It was great hearing from you. Things didn't work out as we wanted on the Vice Presidential thing, but I will always be grateful for the support from so many friends around the country.

I'm dictating this from vacation and have asked my secretary to sign it.

Warmest regards.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Mr. and Mrs. Don Shaw
3821 Arlington Street
Tyler, Texas 75701

gv

Dear Sally

It was great hearing from you. Things didn't work out as we wanted on the Vice Presidential ~~xxxxx~~ thing, but ~~xxxxx~~ I will always be grateful for the support from so many friends around the country.

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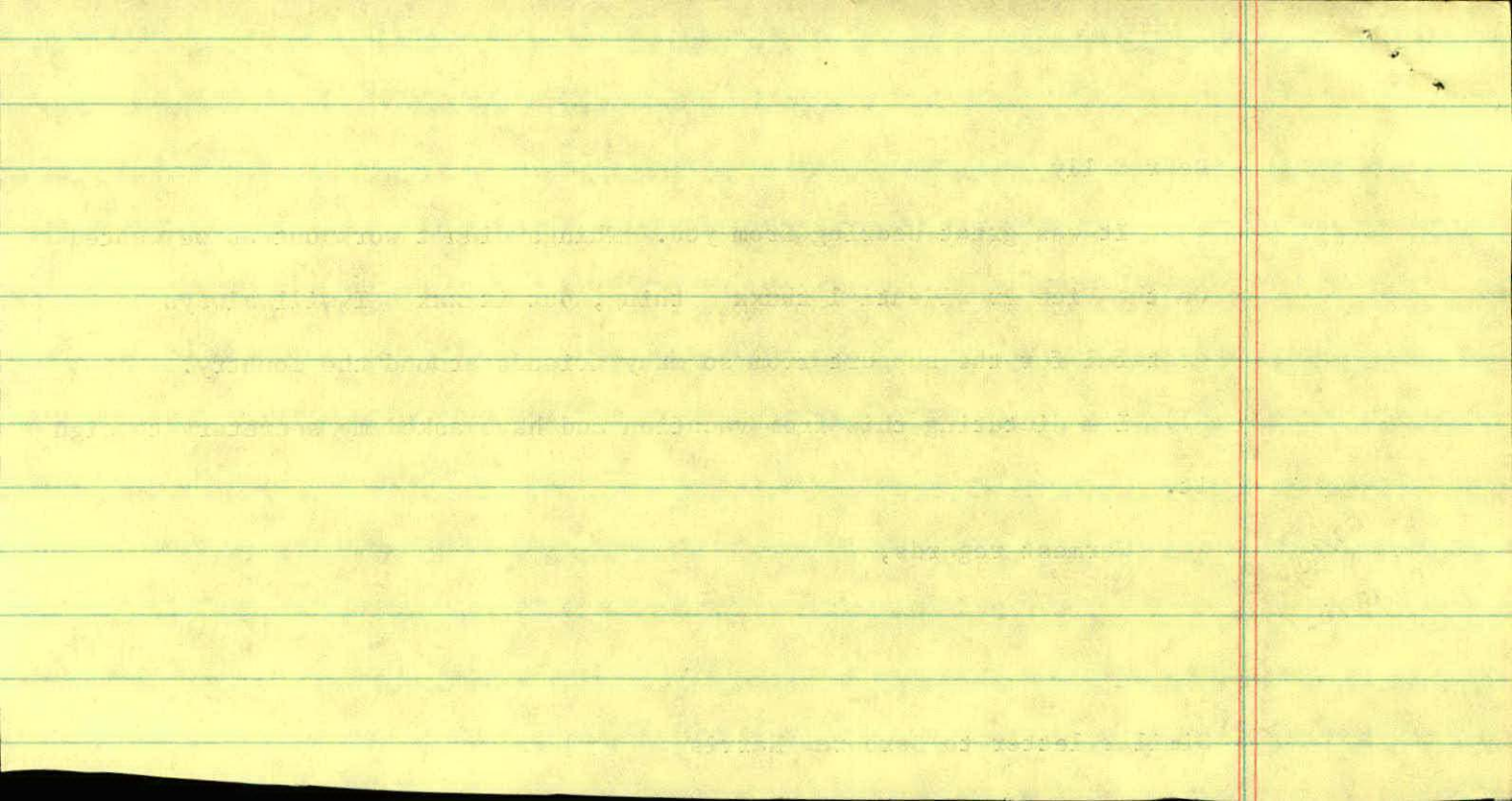
Warmest regards,

Similar letter to Barbara Harris

& Mary Louise Dr Shaw

GB/hc

GB/hc





Dearest George,

You will always be
tops in Texas - Especially

Tyler -

We love you -

Always

Marie Louise and Lew Shaw

Tuesday, August 19th

September 4, 1974

Mrs. Arthur V. Shurts
18 Heritage Road
East Lyme, Conn. 06333

Dear Mrs. Shurts:

Thank you for your August 25 note and for those kind words about the kind of Vice President I would have been. I was flattered to be considered, but I think President Ford made a first-class choice in Governor Rockefeller.

As to the article which you called to my attention, I, too, was surprised by it, but I must confess I don't feel that Secretary Schlesinger was adopting "totalitarian" concepts. He really is a very sensitive, broad gauged individual.

Thank you for writing. As far as the party goes I think things are looking up now despite the enormous economic problems.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB/hc

JP - how do
you want to
handle this?

18 Heritage Road
East Lyme, Ct. 06333
25 Aug 1974

My dear Mr. Bush,

AUG 28 1974

I read with complete horror and shock, the enclosed clipping. This is the most dastardly and wholly gratuitous insult to Mr. Nixon that I have ever seen.

In my opinion, we don't need the totalitarian concepts of Mr. Schlesinger.

Sincerely yours,
Mary Jane B. Shurts
(Mrs Arthur V. Shurts)

P.S. I think you would have been a fine Vice-President.

M. J. B. Shurts

P.P.S. It is also totally insulting to the fine men serving in our armed forces!!!

Hartford Courant

Military Put on Watch In Nixon's Final Days

WASHINGTON (U P I) — Defense Secretary James R. Schlesinger ordered a tight watch on the military chain of command during the final days of former President Richard M. Nixon's administration to ensure no extraordinary orders went out during that period of uncertainty.

Pentagon officials said Schlesinger never feared that a coup would be successful even if attempted.

But they said he was concerned that even an ineffective alert or movement of troops ordered by the White House would bring the military into disrepute even if only one officer responded.

They confirmed reports that Schlesinger and the Joint Chiefs of Staff took steps to prevent any "hypothetical situations" from arising at a time when Nixon faced almost certain impeachment and was considering resignation, yet retained full authority as Commander in Chief of the armed forces.

One official emphasized there was no signal or action



JAMES R. SCHLESINGER
Kept Tight Control

from the White House that prompted Schlesinger's concern. He explained:

"It was a mood, as Schlesinger saw things becoming rather unique. He took half a step back and asked 'what are my responsibilities?'"

He said the secretary con-

sidered several requirements, including the need to assure the preservation of the chain of command. In fact, the official added, the tightened chain of command functioned smoothly during the critical period.

A Pentagon spokesman quoted Schlesinger as saying: "In keeping with my statutory responsibilities, I did assure myself that there would be no question about the proper constitutional and legislated chain of command, and there never was any question."

The spokesman said the specific concern was that an order outside the chain of command might go to a military unit for some sort of action against Congress during the period between House impeachment and a Senate trial.

There were no extraordinary meetings or contingency plans involved in the Pentagon and no orders were issued, but the word went out that no commanders in any forces should carry out orders which came from the White

House or elsewhere outside the normal military channels.

The National Security Act sets up a chain of command for issuing orders. Asked if a president could sidestep the chain and issue direct orders to units, one official said, "That's never been tested."

He added: "We just don't know what anyone would have done if the chain of command was subverted."

Schlesinger has never forgotten that his alert of troops during last October's Middle East war had domestic political repercussions for months although he viewed the decision as simple prudence.

Officials said he was concerned that another international crisis might erupt in the middle of the transition period or during a Senate trial. In such a case, they said, Schlesinger believed he and other officials had to be able to prove that any military moves made then were supported by the structure of government and not imposed by a harried president.

September 4, 1974

Mr. Denis Skinner
c/o SIPM
Carel van Bylandtlaan 30
The Hague
Holland

Dear Denis:

It was great hearing from you. You didn't train your protege well enough on "how to be a Vice President." In any event, I was flattered to be considered, and the future for this country looks darned encouraging under President Ford.

I will continue to respect President Nixon for his massive accomplishments, but Watergate really depressed us.

I hope all is well with you, and one of these days maybe our paths will cross again. I sure hope so.

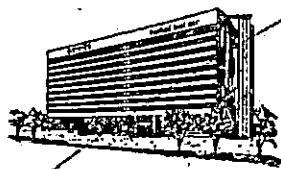
Thanks for writing.

Best regards,

George Bush

GB/hc

Copy also sent to England address.



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c/o SIPM

CARL VAN DYLANDT LAAN 30
THE HAGUE
HOLLAND

20/8/74

Dear George,

I was very disappointed to
hear today that my protégé had not
been chosen as Vice President.

The U.S.A.'s loss; and ours.

Yours Truly

Denis Skinner



D. J. SKINNER

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Thanks for writing.

Best regards,

George Bush

GB/hc

Mr Bush.

Your amigos at the U.S. Capitol Police hoped that you will be selected as Vice President. Mr. Bush, I think you are truly the man that can help President Ford bring America together again.

In my personal opinion, you are extremely well qualified and able for this important position. My opinion lies on you're past experiences and services to the Nation.

God Willing - you'll be the President's choice.

you have our prayers, our support, and our best wishes.

Sincerely

Mr. & Mrs. Raul G. Salinas
Mike

P.S.

Mr Bush, I am still hopeful that someday, we can get our picture made. Gracias.

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Mr. and Mrs. Raul G. Salinas

Personal

Mr. George Bush, Chairman
Republican Nat'l Committee
310 - First Street, S.E.
Wash. D.C. 20515.



Mr. & Mrs. Raul G. Salinas
6C Plateau Place
Greenbelt, Md. 20770 M

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August 13, 1974
46 Sussex Road
New Rochelle, New York 10804

AUG 15 1974

Mr. George Bush
Chr. of Republican Party
Washington, D.C. 20032

Dear George,

We're in your corner. (Hoping you'll get the nod for the Vice President of the United States.) We've been keeping up with you, news wise. It's been a long time since we've been together. The last time was at the William Trents' house. This is just a note to let you know that you have support in New Rochelle, New York.

Fondly,

The Charles H. Smiths
Charles H. Smith
(Betty and Chuck)

Dear Charles & Betty

PHONE-O-GRAM

for:

LK Thank you S
Bill

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Bob Shaw 404-355-1922

Bill Kirkland

512-476-6611

Austin, Texas

Ext. 355

Phone: _____ Date 8/12 Time 3:20 By LK

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To GPB

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of VP

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OF MO-KAN REGION 7 CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION REQUEST YOUR APPROVAL
OF MR GEORGE BUSH AS YOUR NEXT VICE PRESIDENT.

PRESIDENT OF URBAN CONTRACTORS ALLIANCE FRANK SHADE
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VP

7417 Trenton
ST. LOU, MO. 63130

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LAW OFFICES OF
MORTON L. SUSMAN
2290 TWO SHELL PLAZA
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002

(713) 222-1621

August 12, 1974

AUG 14 1974

Hon. George Bush, Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street SE
Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear George:

You and your associates, of course, have my deepest sympathy and regret over the recent series of disasters. Out of it all has come something good and you may count on my backing for harmony and success in the future.

The bandwagon has started for you to be the next Vice-President and I wanted you to know that if bi-partisanship will play any part in it, you can count on me and my friends to support you down the line.

Best wishes and good luck.

Sincerely,



MORTON L. SUSMAN

MLS:mv

*Dear Mort
VP form*

August 20, 1974

Dear John:

Thank you so much for your most thoughtful letter of the 15th -- I'm very flattered.

Now that the President has settled the matter in his excellent selection of former governor Rockefeller, I hope all Americans can unite behind this new Administration.

Your good wishes are extremely kind, John, and I am deeply appreciative.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Mr. John C. Stricker
4600 Bluff View
Dallas, Texas 75209

gv

John Clay Stricker

*4600 Bluff View
Dallas, Texas 75209*

August 15, 1974

AUG 20 1974

Dear George:

All of your many friends are most hopeful you will become the next Vice President because you deserve the high office and you will be a great Vice President.

Kindest regards,


John C. Stricker

Honorable George Bush
Republican National Executive Committee
Dwight D. Eisenhower Center
Washington, D.C. 20003

VP post

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August 19, 1974

Professor Arnold Schwartz
Department of Cell Biophysics
Baylor College of Medicine
Houston, Texas 77025

Dear Professor Schwartz:

Thank you for your kind words and for your good wishes in the matter of the Vice Presidency. We'll know the President's decision before you receive this. Regardless of his choice, I have been glad to hear from well-wishers all across the country.

Yours very truly,

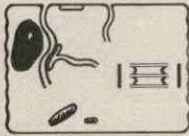
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department of cell biophysics
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713.526-7732

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arnold schwartz
professor and chairman



August 15, 1974

The Honorable George Bush
Chairman, Republican National Committee
310 First Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear George:

While I haven't corresponded with you for some time, I have followed your career. Congratulations on performing a most herculian task in maintaining the basic structure and integrity of the Republican National party. It is a tribute to you and your staff that you were able to remain quite peripheral from the extremely complex Watergate situation.

When I heard that you are being considered for the Vice Presidential slot, I thought I would indicate to you my sincere hope that you are selected. I think, frankly, that you would be an ideal candidate and would make an excellent Vice President and, ultimately, President. Regardless, however, of the outcome of President Ford's deliberations, I wish you every success. I look forward to seeing you when you visit Houston.

Very best regards and warmest wishes.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwartz
Arnold Schwartz

AS/hw

Gloria

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WASHINGTON DC 20515

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

E. G. Shuster
Ninth District
Pennsylvania

August 15, 1974

AUG 19 1974

Personal

The Honorable George Bush
Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C.

Dear George:

I recommended Bush and Brock to the President as my
Republican candidates for Vice President.

Whomever he selects, I urged that it be a man who
has the potential for an illustrious future rather
than a man with an illustrious past.

Best wishes,

Bmd

E. G. Shuster
MEMBER OF CONGRESS

EGS:ame

FREDERICK H. SACKSTEDER, JR.

6000 Torrey Pines Drive,
El Paso, Texas, 79912.

*VP farm
Dear Fred*
AUG 19 1974

August 15, 1974

Dear George:

The two-party system can and must work, as you so aptly stated during your excellent presentation at the Taft Institute three weeks ago. And, thanks to the momentous events of the past ten days, it will have a much better chance of doing so. The people, all of the people, were sick of Watergate, and it was, perhaps, President Nixon's noblest and most patriotic act to remove himself from the scene and to take Watergate with him.

President Ford has made an excellent start, and he has the fervent best wishes of the vast majority for success in coping with the nation's real problems. He is getting some very good people to help him. Out here, in West Texas, we are fortunate to be living in George Bush country. You have no idea how many of our friends from both parties, who know that we have had the privilege of working for and with you, hope that you will be the President's choice as his strong right hand. Barbara and you are very much in Nancy's and my thoughts and hearts.

It sure was great to be able to spend a few hours in your company. Thanks for your visit.

Very sincerely,

The Honorable
George Bush,
Washington, D.C.

Fred

August 19, 1974

Mrs. Avril W. Spurgers
7575 Bellaire Boulevard, 14-C
Houston, Texas 77036

Dear Mrs. Spurgers:

Thank you for writing to President Ford on my behalf. This is a very important matter, and I am sure the President will deliberate carefully before deciding on a nominee. Regardless of whom he chooses, I am grateful for the support I have received all across the country.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB:GJ

gloria

Mrs. Avril W. Spurgers . AUG 19 1974
7575 Bellaire Boulevard, 14-C
Houston, Texas 77036

August 9, 1974

Dear Mr. Bush,

I have written a letter to President Gerald R. Ford, asking that he consider your personal, professional, and political qualifications when he selects a vice-president. Also, I have contacted many of my friends - asking that they do likewise. Many people feel that President Gerald R. Ford and Vice-President George Bush, working together, would help to strengthen the government, unite the people, and benefit the economy.

Respectfully,
Mrs. Avril Spurgers

August 19, 1974

Mr. Michael Shower
Executive Assistant
World Federalists, USA
1424 Sixteenth Street, NW
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mike:

Thanks for sending the letter to the White House. I appreciate your kind words and support.

We'll know how this turns out before you get this letter. I know you will be able to accept whomever the President chooses. The new Administration needs the support of Americans of all political persuasions in re-uniting the nation.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB:GJ

Norman Cousins
World Association President

H. Donald Wilson
Chairman of the Board

Michael Shower
Executive Assistant

Edward Coyle
Development Officer

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AUG 16 1974

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The Honorable Gerald R. Ford
The White House
Washington, Columbia 20500

Many best wishes,
and I hope this helps.
Mike

Dear Mr. President,

I would like to add just one more voice among the many which have been raised to you with suggestions regarding the Vice-Presidential nomination, and my voice, like many others, is raised in behalf of Ambassador George Bush.

As a "radic-lib" who, while not regarding myself as a Democrat or of any party, has frequently been associated with Democratic campaigns, I find it somewhat strange to be recommending a conservative Republican to a conservative Republican. But in the question of George Bush in 1974, there is not the slightest hesitation.

Since his service as United States Representative to the United Nations, Ambassador Bush has consistently demonstrated his understanding and appreciation of the responsibilities of the United States within the world community. His experience in multi-lateral diplomacy would offer your administration a significant and essential balance to the bi-lateral, less-than-complete approach of Secretary Kissinger.

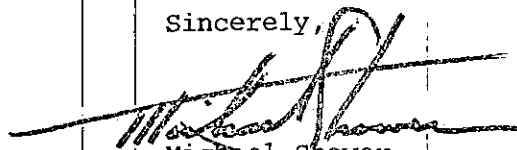
Moreover, I think the American people would view George Bush's integrity, decency, and human-ness as second only to that of the President. George Bush has always been straightforward and firm in his politics. He has never claimed to have changed from any fundamental attitude, nor has he claimed to be what he is not.

While I write this letter as an individual citizen, I have discussed the matter with several of my colleagues here at World Federalists, USA and our more adventurous youth section, Action for World Community. The opinion has been unanimous: of all the choices placed before you, George Bush is the only one which could be accepted and appreciated wholeheartedly.

The President
15 August 74
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In the difficult choice which you must now make, and in the great and difficult task which lies before you for the coming years, I wish you well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Michael Shower", with a long horizontal line extending to the left.

Michael Shower
Executive Assistant



Republican National Committee.

Robert J. Shaw, State Chairman
Member for Georgia
Vice Chairman
Republican National Committee
1819 Peachtree Road, N. E., #308
Atlanta, Georgia 30309
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August 13, 1974

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Hon. George Bush, Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street, S. E.
Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear George:

I have done an extensive amount of telephoning over the south in the past few days primarily to make sure that the southern states were casting their votes for you for Vice President, and I might add, with much success.

There is a strong feeling that exists among many of the Republicans that we need to have a closed door RNC meeting so that we can talk very frankly about what's going on and where we now stand. They realize that we have permitted the press to cover all of our meetings but in this instance I feel very strongly that we deserve an opportunity to be together and talk privately without being recorded by the media. I have promised to pass this suggestion on to you for your consideration.

The best of luck and I am keeping my fingers crossed for you.

Very sincerely,

Robert J. Shaw

RJS:pph



ROBERT J. (BOB) SHAW
STATE CHAIRMAN

For your information:

This letter was sent to each of
Georgia's ten U. S. Congressmen.

Bob

August 12, 1974

The Honorable Dawson Mathis
U. S. Congressman--Second District Georgia
236 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Dawson:

It is my understanding that the House of Representatives is about to begin debate on a Campaign Reform Bill which will amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971. There are several sections of the Bill that I have very strong feelings about and urge your support in defeating these measures.

(1) I deplore the suggestion that the federal government should subsidize the major parties with two million dollars each for the purpose of conducting the Presidential Nominating Convention. When I learned in February of this year that such a move was under foot I expressed my feelings to the Executive Committee of the Republican National Committee and at our April meeting of the full Committee I was one of the leaders in seeing that a resolution was passed, stating that we were opposed to it as a Party. I do not feel that the taxpayers should be paying for our conventions. Both major parties spend far too much money on these conventions and if we have reached a point where we cannot raise the money for such an elaborate extravaganza, then the party leaders should determine how to put on a less costly convention. I consider this move ridiculous, and should it pass I will lead a movement with the Republican National Committee refusing to accept any federal monies for our convention.

(2) I am opposed to a limitation on amount of monies that a state committee and/or national committee can contribute to a candidate for election to federal office. There is no need for the five thousand dollar limitation called for in this measure and I would urge your support of Bill Dickinson's amendment to exclude the national and state committees of the major parties for this limitation on contributions by political committees.

(3) Strict limitations on campaign expenditures simply perpetrate incumbency and I do not feel we can allow any overly restrictive expenditure limit to become law. The seventy five thousand dollar

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Hon. Dawson Mathis
August 12, 1974

limit contained in the H. R. 16090 is not enough and I would encourage your support of Bill Frenzel's amendment to raise this amount to ninety thousand dollars.

I realize that there is much sentiment that exists for campaign reforms but if we get this carried away with this movement we may be guilty of overdoing it and once the full implications of this Bill are known by the voting public it could create massive resentment on the part of the voters and it leaves the door wide open for further and more severe abuses which may be spawned by a frantic rush to inject government regulations and federal fund raising into our electoral system.

I urge your support in these measures and will be most appreciative for your vote.

Very sincerely,

Robert J. Shaw

RJS:ph

August 21, 1974

Dear Margaret:

Thank you so much for your mailgram of support for me for the office of Vice President -- I'm very flattered.

These are important times for our Party and our nation, and now that the President has settled the matter, I hope all Americans can unite behind this new Administration.

Bar joins me in warmest thanks and kindest regards.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Mrs. Roland Sledge
4118 Drummond
Houston, Texas 77025

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AUG 21 1974

DEAR GEORGE AND BARBARA CONGRATULATIONS ON A GREAT JOB WITH THE
U N AND AS CHAIRMAN OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY NATIONAL I AM PULLING
FOR YOU FOR YOUR JOB EMINENT REGARDS

MRS ROLAND SLEDGE 4118 DRUMMOND HOUSTON TX 77025

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*Margaret
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FROM TELEX 6161

FROM TWX 910 420 1212

August 23, 1974

Mrs. Charles Speaks
320 Bayberry Lane
Westport, Conn. 06880

Dear Mrs. Speaks:

I did get your good letter of August 14. First, thanks for your support on the Vice Presidency. It didn't work out, but, in any event, I was flattered to know you were in my corner.

I have Dr. Lamport's letter and I forwarded it to President Ford through one of his top, trusted assistants.

Thanks so much for writing.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

CC: Dr. Harold Lamport

GB/hc

August 19, 1974

Mrs. Charles Speaks
320 Bayberry Lane
Westport, Connecticut 06880

Dear Mrs. Speaks:

Chairman Bush is out of the city and since he will not be returning to the office until after Labor Day, I am writing to acknowledge your letter of August 14.

I know he will appreciate your forwarding on the comments of Dr. Lamport and as soon as Mr. Bush returns they will be brought to his attention.

In the meantime, on behalf of the Chairman, may I thank you for taking the time to write and also for the vote of confidence regarding the Vice Presidency.

Sincerely,

Jane A. Kenny
Secretary, Mr. Bush

MRS. CHARLES SPEAKS
320 BAYBERRY LANE
WESTPORT, CONNECTICUT 06880

Augst 14, 1974

Dear Ambassador Bush:

At this most critical moment in your political career, I hate to bother you, but this has a time limit, too.

Dr. Harold Lamport is a distinguished New York doctor at Mount Sinai Hospital and a very thoughtful man. While I do not agree with his point of view I believe every point should be considered.

We thought perhaps if I sent this letter on to you, you would see that President Ford received it. So, here it goes.

I've been working in Connecticut, New York and Florida to urge George Bush for the Vice-Presidency, hope you really want it.

Eloise Davison and Marjorie Sharp dropped in for tea with us yesterday and they are also at work for you. They are old family friends of your wife and her mother.

Betty Lamont and I are hard at work for you.

I do hope you will get this letter. And thanks for any trouble you and take in the matter of Dr Lamport's letter.

Charles and I both send our best wishes for good luck to you.

Charme Speaks
Charme Speaks

HAROLD LAMPORT, M. D.
JUNIPER HILL
WESTPORT, CONNECTICUT

August 13, 1974

Mr. George Bush
National Chairman
The Republican Party
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Bush:

I asked Mrs. Charme Speaks, who is Mrs. Republican around here, to foreward to you some ideas of mine that bear on the question of the circumstances under which former President Richard M. Nixon (RMN) should be given immunity from trial. They are based on the belief that the guiding principle should be what is best for the country.

1. There have been indications in the newspapers that RMN plans to write and that publishers have started to bid for a book by him on his Presidency, with an estimated price of perhaps \$2 million. Articles, speeches and other such material also would command high prices.

2. If RMN receives immunity for acts committed during his Presidency, there would be a violent cry of outrage from a large part of the electorate should he also profit from retailing his side of the story while the charges against him could not be appraised in open court because of his cloak of immunity. The reaction to such a situation would be extreme and deleterious to the citizen's faith in democracy.

3. The inescapable conclusion is that RMN should not receive immunity unless he has first voluntarily and unconditionally eschewed any gain from retailing his experiences and views during his Presidency in so far as they touch at all on matters covered by the articles of impeachment reported to the House.

4. Further, not only should he eschew gain, he should also refrain from telling his side of the controversial matters except in court, as a witness.

5. The question remains whether RMN should appear as a witness in the trial of his subordinates. Our constitution requires that a defendant have the right of calling witnesses to testify. Thus, RMN would inevitably be called to testify unless his subordinates also are not prosecuted. It is likely that a wholesale grant of immunity would not be acceptable to the electorate so that the less desirable compromise of limiting immunity to the ex-President, with him having to testify in court, is necessary.

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But if and when such a trial situation occurs, common fairness will militate against punishing or even finding guilty the subordinate when the chief is let free. It is as though the sailors go down with the ship while the captain rows off in the lifeboat in safety. That is why the compromise is, in the end, bad for the country, but a wide grant of immunity is not now politically possible.

6. RMN's self-imposed silence need not extend beyond the matters covered in the articles of impeachment. Still my own view is that he would be wiser not to expatiate even on the rest of his Presidency until enough time has elapsed^{so} that the public no longer would be rancorous at the comparison between the way the chief was treated as compared to his subordinates.

7. Of course only President Ford has the power to pardon RMN,-- to grant him immunity.

The views I have set forth here are solely mine. Mrs. Speaks is not associated with them except for her good offices in expediting their transmission to you who stand next to the head of the Party, the President, and are therefore able to influence the course of events relating to RMN.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Harold Lampport". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned in the center of the page, below the word "Respectfully,".

Harold Lampport M.D.

P.S. I enclose a clipping of a letter of mine in the New York Times.

HL:sd
Encl.

NY Times July 30, 1974. Letter To The Editor

Senate Trial: If the Vote Just Misses Two-Thirds

To the Editor:

The Times' poll of business executives, mostly pro-Nixon, shows that even his shrewd partisans believe objectively that the House will vote a bill impeaching Nixon but that they doubt the Senate will provide the two-thirds majority needed for conviction. Of course there is no further Nixon problem if he is either convicted or exonerated by a majority of the Senate disagreeing with the House by voting against his conviction. But what about the much more likely case where a Senate majority, yet not quite two-thirds, votes against the President?

Here Mr. Nixon clearly would be faced both with the likelihood of having to defend himself in criminal court after the end of his term and with the stern judgment by a majority of each house of Congress that he has lost their confidence as President.

Could Mr. Nixon really function as President with the majority of the people's representatives voting to impeach him even though he is not constitutionally expelled from office?

Once the House voted for impeachment, Mr. Nixon would certainly see that his best course would be to accept a settlement before Senate trial in which he resigned the Presidency and was accorded immunity from later judicial action. Not only would such a settlement be best for Mr. Nixon, it would by all odds be best for the country. A public, acrimonious trial of the President where even his advocates believe a Senate majority is likely to condemn him should be avoided both by President Nixon and by those in Congress whose agreement to a settlement is necessary.

Such an agreement, by sparing the country the ordeal of an impeachment trial, would be an act of high patriotism.

HAROLD LAMPORT, M.D.

Westport, Conn., July 24, 1974

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Mrs. Joe Straus, Jr.
511 Argyle Avenue
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Dear Joci:

Just a quick note to thank you for your VP support;
to wish you well on your glamorous sounding trip; and to
tell you that I hope you and Joe will come do a little
cattle business in Peking.

Warmest regards,

George Bush

GB/hc

Joci
Straus

SEP 5 1974

Dear George,

Along with many
hundreds of your admirers,
the Straus family waited
for you to be our V.P. The
President is certainly aware of
your well earned popularity
and respect. Our hope is that
one day soon, we will pick up
the paper and read that you
serving in the cabinet.

I can't tell you how
much I appreciated your
"writ by hand" note of a few
weeks ago. That was so

Joci
Straus

thoughtful, especially with your
busy schedule. Thanks for
coming for Day Haulan. His
race looks good - but rough.
Joc and I are taking off
for Copenhagen, Oslo and Munich
on cattle business next week.

With Love Day behind us

I guess Barb and the children

are back in routine. Please give
her our special love,

Fondest wishes,

Joci

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PRESS SECRETARY TO VICE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
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THE AMERICAN PEOPLES FAITH IN THE ELECTION PROCESS, I ENCOURAGE
YOU TO RECOMMEND GEORGE BUSH FOR THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
STATES A REAL STATESMAN
MRS JOE STRAUS JR

1056 EDT

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The Honorable George Bush
Republican National Committee
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SENATOR ROBERT GRIFFIN

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I STRONGLY URGE CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO GEORGE
BUSH FOR THE VICE-PRESIDENCY OF THE UNITED STATES.
PRESIDENT FORD'S ADMINISTRATION WOULD BENEFIT
GREATLY FROM MR. BUSH'S WIDE BACKGROUND AND THE
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LEONARD N. STERN
President

Leonard Stern
VP form

George:

Just wanted you to know we caught
our typographical error in the
third last line before our letter
was mailed to the President.

Gordon

*VP form
dear
Gordon*

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GORDON H. SCHERER

LOUIS J. SCHNEIDER

GORDON M. SCHERER

Dear Mr. President:

You know by this time that all of your former colleagues in the House are tremendously pleased at your elevation to the Presidency. As you may recall, I retired from the Congress ten years ago. I am still active and want you to know that I am more than willing to help your administration in any way I can.

However, that is not the purpose of this letter. George Bush was the Ambassador to the United Nations when I was serving as one of the United States delegates to the U. N. I was so impressed with him in every way that at that time I recommended to the President that he give serious consideration to George Bush for Secretary of State.

I need not tell you that George Bush is a tremendous guy. He is "Mr. Integrity" himself. He has all those qualities of mind and character which would make him an ideal running mate in 1976. I join with Barry Goldwater and others in recommending George Bush as Vice President.

Sincerely,



Gordon H. Scherer

The Honorable Gerald R. Ford
The White House
Washington, D. C.

August 12, 1974

August 16, 1974

Mr. Norris Sydnor
10605 Parrish Lane
Mitchellville, Md. 20716

Dear Mr. Sydnor:

Thank you very much for letting me have your views in your telegram received yesterday. on the selection of the Vice President. This is a very important matter and I am sure the President will give it serious deliberation before making his decision.

Thank you again and let me say that I was flattered indeed that the name of your Chairman was included in your list.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

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THE FOLLOWING FOUR PERSON ARE MY CHOICE FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT:
MR GEORGE BUSH RNC, MR NELSON ROCKEFELLER, SENATOR EDWARD BROOK
AND GOVERNOR DAN EVANS. THESE MEN ARE CHOSEN BECAUSE OUR COUNTRY
IS IN NEED OF A VICE PRESIDENT WHO HAS THE ABILITY TO RECONCILIATE.
THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS SELECTION
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The Honorable George Bush
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Dear George:

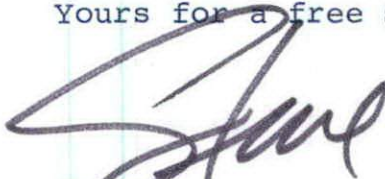
Before leaving for Idaho for the recess, I did want to drop you a note to tell you of my extreme disappointment in the President's selection of a Vice Presidential candidate.

I had so hoped to see you walk from behind the closed door and would have welcomed the opportunity to lend you my support. I sincerely believe this choice is going to cause very serious problems for Republicans running for office in Idaho.

The one consolation I have is looking forward to continuing to work with you as our Chairman and only wish I would be working with you as our Vice President.

All best wishes to you and hope you are enjoying your well deserved vacation. Hope our paths cross again soon after we return from the recess.

Yours for a free society,



Steve Symms
Member of Congress

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August 10, 1974

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Dear GB,

"I seen you on TV".....the faithful Don Rhodes called to tell me you'd be on CBS after the resignation speech.

I addressed a letter to San Clemente yesterday. One of the things I told President Nixon was, "I'll bet you don't know that one of George Bush's favorite quotations is TR's 'The credit goes to the man in the arena'."

He'll probably never see it, but I sent it anyway.

See enclosed clipping.....Diana Markley and I are pulling for you!

Love,

Alcee

P. S. Hargrove and I are planning to drive up into the Blue Ridge Mountains in September.... may get into D. C., but judging by the memos I get on your travels, we're not likely to find you there.

GB,

Well, here I am back at the old Zapata typewriter again....

This morning, Hargrove said he thought I ought to write to President Ford.

My only reservation is that he might think, "If this guy is all that great, he may put me in the shade". However "Gerry" (as old friend, Henry Vance, would say) never impressed me as a vain man, so off the letter goes.

August 11, 1974

Dear Mr. President,

I know that you have asked government leaders and members of the Republican National Committee to submit their recommendations for your selection of a Vice President, and I hope you won't think I'm presumptuous in writing you to suggest that you consider The Honorable George Bush as your selection.

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But, just because I was his secretary, it's possible that I know the man better than most. I was with him when he started out in politics as County Chairman of the Republican Party in Houston, Texas; I was with him when he ran against Ralph Yarborough for the U. S. Senate in 1964; I was with him in his capacity as President and Chairman of the Board of Zapata Offshore Company; I was with him when he was elected to the U. S. Congress in 1966; I was with him during his two terms in Congress; I was with him when he ran for the U. S. Senate against Lloyd Bentsen in 1970; and I went with him to New York when he was appointed as U. S. Ambassador to the United Nations.

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He has a winning personality which literally draws people to him like a magnet. If you've heard him speak to a crowd, you know the enthusiasm he arouses.

He was a successful business man, and traveled the world even then.

Having served in the Congress with him, you know his record there.

At the United Nations, he had the unique experience of working daily with Ambassadors from nations all over the world (and I know personally how popular he was with them). And, he visited many of their countries. In addition, he met with the Foreign Ministers of those countries each year at the General Assembly.

August 11, 1974

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Although he is a Texan by choice, he has strong ties to the Eastern part of the country.

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One of Mr. Bush's greatest assets in public life is the rapport he has with the news media. He likes members of the press and they like him.

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I sincerely believe George Bush would be of great help to you as you begin your job to "restore the Golden Rule to our political process and let brotherly love purge our hearts of suspicion and hate."

Sincerely yours,

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The Honorable Gerald R. Ford
The White House
Washington, D. C.

cc: The Honorable George Bush

August 10, 1974

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United States Senate
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(Same letter to The Honorable John Rhodes)